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May 14, 1992

Town Democrats Attend DA's "Law Day"



MEMBERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE who attended the Sunday, May 3rd "Law Day" Breakfast sponsored by District Attorney William Bennett included, from left - Attorney Robert A. Gordon, Mary McLaughlin, State Rep. Michael P. Walsh, James Willis (all standing); Thomas Leahy, Town Councilor Louis Russo, Mary Leahy, Gail Russo, and Town Council President Joanne Willis (seated, from left). MORE PHOTOS INSIDE.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

These Butterflies Are Really Free!



THE LIFE CYCLE of the butterfly was the topic of interest for the Cloverbud group, just one of the several Fantastic 4-H groups of Agawam. The highlight of their activity will be caring for their five Painted Lady Butterflies from their stage as caterpillars until they emerge as the beautiful butterflies. The kids in the photo are Michael Theroux, Matthew Schuh, and Ryan Sullivan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Committee To Review Several School Policies

by Iris Copson
School Department Editor

Parents and students are being asked to become part of an Ad-Hoc Committee at Agawam High School this year. According to Assistant AHS Principal Gabrielle Charest, a meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20th, in the AHS cafeteria.

She said, "We are asking that people call to pre-register so that we may have some idea as to interest. We will review the discipline code, including the attendance regulations.

"We are asking that parents and students bring their copies of the Student Handbook which includes the regulations presently in existence. Parents can call 789-1400, Ext. 414, to let me know if they plan to attend," said Mrs. Charest.

Mrs. Charest said that the faculty is constantly reviewing the discipline code and attendance regulations, but they felt it would be more advantageous to include parent and student input. "This will be an advisory committee and we will take suggestions. We want more input this year," she said.

She added that there may be some specific concerns that will require future meetings during the beginning of next school year. "A lot will depend on how people feel about it," she noted. "It may become something that will need to meet a few times."

While accepting the Policy Review Committee's updates during a recent School Committee meeting, School Committee Member Susan Pettazzoni suggested that high school students be allowed to have input as to the existing disciplinary measures that are instituted at AHS.

There were also questions raised earlier in the year as to whether or not the present Drug and Alcohol Policy was still appropriate for school discipline actions.

Anne Sullivan Update

The Anne Sullivan Committee is now \$5,500 short in its quest to pay for the sculpture "Water," which will be erected in Feeding Hills Center. Those who contribute \$750 or more will have their name placed near the sculpture. Latest contributors include Springfield Turnverein and Walter T. Kerr & Family. The complete list of ALL contributors will be published in one of our next publications.

DA Bennett Draws Big Crowd For "Law Day"



DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM BENNETT held a "Law Day Breakfast" at The Oaks in Agawam on Sunday, May 3rd. The DA is pictured with Agawam Democrats Rudy & Peg Altobelli, and State Senator Linda J. Melconian. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DA WILLIAM BENNETT WELCOMES U.S. Congressman John Olver (left) and State Senator Brian Lees at the "Law Day" Breakfast on Sunday, May 3rd in Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Middle School, 68 Main Street, Agawam, THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1992 at 6:30 p.m. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of MR. RONALD J. FOR-

LEGAL NOTICE

TUNE who is acting on behalf of the Getty Petroleum Corporation and is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7, Paragraph D, which would allow for the alteration of a structure at the premises identified as 820 SUFFIELD STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman
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Town Council Agenda For May 18th

1. Citizen's Speak Time
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Minutes-Regular Council Meeting of 4/21/92
Minutes-Regular Council Meeting of 5/4/92
5. Declaration from Council President
6. Presentation of Petitions, Memorials & Remonstrances

(a) Resolutions

1. TR-92-23- A Resolution Supporting the Renaming of the Swimming Pool and Adjoining Fields at Robinson State Park in Honor of Gerald J. Mason (Coun. Ennis) (Tabled 5/4/92).

2. TR-92-24- A Resolution Amending TR-91-27 (Approved 6/5/91) which authorizes the Formation of a Charter Review Committee to review the existing Town Charter and Recommend any Updates or Revisions Thereto (Coun. Russo).

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE PRESENT CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE IN ORDER TO SEPARATE THE LEGISLATIVE FUNCTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE. UNDER PRESENT COMMITTEE FOUR MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL ARE APPOINTED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND THE MAYOR IS THE FIFTH MEMBER. AMENDMENT WOULD PROVIDE A COMMITTEE OF FIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE APPOINTED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND WOULD ALLOW THE MAYOR TO ATTEND MEETINGS TO GIVE INPUT.

3. TR-92-25- A Resolution Authorizing the Formation of a Council Investigative Committee to Review the Practices and Procedures of the Agawam Assessor's Office (Coun. Russo).

TOWN COUNCIL IS AUTHORIZED UNDER ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2-11 OF THE TOWN CHARTER TO INVESTIGATE THE AFFAIRS OF THE TOWN AND THE CONDUCT OF ANY TOWN AGENCY. RESOLUTION WOULD PROVIDE FOR A COUNCIL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL TO BE APPOINTED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

7. Reports of Council Committees

8. Elections

None

9. Public Hearings

(a)

1. PH-92-3- (TO-92-22)-Application-Gas Storage Permit-Riverside Park, 1623 Main St., (Rte. 159), Agawam, MA-Request for 1,000 gal. underground diesel fuel (Conduct Public Hearing).

APPLICATION TO INCREASE LICENSED GASOLINE STORAGE FROM 750 TO 1000 GALLONS.

10. Old Business

(a) Orders

1. TOR-92-7- An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 118 of the Code of the Town of Agawam (Tag/Garage Sales) (Coun. Willis) (2nd Reading) (Tabled 5/4/92).

ORDINANCE TO CONTROL TAG SALES TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (requires 3 readings for adoption).

2. TOR-92-8- An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 120 of the Code of the Town of Agawam (Pawnbrokers) (Coun. Willis) (1st Reading as amended) (Charter Object. by Coun. Ennis on 4/21/92) (Tabled 5/4/92).

ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE PROPER CONTROLS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PAWNBROKER LICENSES (requires 3 readings for adoption).

3. TOR-92-11- An Ordinance to amend Ch. 114, Sec. 114-8 entitled "Number of Licenses Restricted" of the Code of the Town of Agawam (Coun. Bitzas) (1st Reading) (Tabled 5/4/92).

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO REDUCE NUMBER OF CLASS 2 DEALER LICENSES THROUGH ATTRITION FROM 35 TO 30 (requires 3 readings for adoption).

4. TOR-92-12- An Ordinance Amendment to Establish a Board of Commissioners to Administer the Thomas Pyne Fund by Amending Chapter 32, Section 32-4 of the Agawam Town Code (Pres. Willis) (1st Reading).

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT WOULD PROVIDE THREE-MEMBER BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR AND CONFIRMED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL TO ADMINISTER THE THOMAS PYNE FUND. FURTHER PROVISIONS AS TO THE INVESTMENT OF THE TRUST FUND ARE ACCORDING TO MASS. GENERAL LAWS (requires 3 readings for adoption).

5. TOR-92-13- An Ordinance establishing the control and regulation of mass gatherings in the Town (Coun. Russo) (1st Reading).

ORDINANCE REQUIRING PERMIT FROM HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR GATHERINGS OF 100 OR MORE PEOPLE. ATHLETIC AND SPORTING EVENTS AND PRIVATE FUNCTIONS NOT OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC WOULD BE EXEMPT (requires 3 readings for adoption).

6. TO-92-20- Transfer-\$8,000 from Reserve Fund (7000-5600-R551) to Council on Aging - Heat, Light & Power (2800-5210-R316) (Mayor).

INCREASES IN THE COSTS OF HEAT, LIGHT, AND POWER HAVE CAUSED A DEFICIT IN THIS ACCOUNT.

7. TO-92-23- Discussion among Council Members to resolve questions involving form of Reports of Committees (Pres. Willis).



Letters To The Editor

Responds To "Mary" Letter

To The Editor:

This is in reply to the article by Tom Crouse of the Faith Bible Church of Agawam titled "Why Worship Mary???"

Mary is not worshipped by anyone I know. But she is rightfully venerated by Roman Catholics and others. God chose Mary as Mother to His only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Mary has a very special place in Heaven, as Mother of our King. I pray to Mary to intercede with her Son, not as a goddess, but as I would ask any other person to pray for me.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the new Eve, the mother to all in the second creation. Mary was NOT a sinner, and never committed a sin, or she could never have been the mother of Jesus Christ. In Genesis, Chapter 3, Verse 15. "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."

Here is God's promise of a second chance for failed mankind. If there is "enmity" between two beings, that's about as far as you can get! If Mary ever committed a sin, then she would have been under Satan's power, and what God is saying in this verse is not true, which can NOT be.

ALL of the promises Jesus Christ has made to us have been fulfilled in the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is in heaven, assumed body and soul, not through any power she possessed, but through the power of God.

The Blessed Virgin Mary can lead you only to her Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey J. Duquette
Feeding Hills

Agawam GOP Committee Initiates "Republican Of The Year" Award

The Agawam Republican Town Committee held their monthly meeting on May 2nd, 1992 at Oak Ridge Golf Club. The guest at this meeting was William Caplin, candidate for State Senator in the coming fall election.

Committee Chairperson Anthony Bonavita made many announcements regarding the upcoming year, and issued an invitation to any Republicans in Agawam interested, to join this Committee.

It was voted that the award for "Republican of the Year" be given each year by the Committee.

The Committee voted to host a Testimonial, sometime in the fall, honoring Town Councillor

Jesse Fuller for her many years of community service to the Town of Agawam, whereupon she will be given the first award for 1992.

Louise Mattoon, Virginia Lake, and Mark McCormick will start preparations for this event. It should be held at the end of September or the beginning of October. Further details of the event will be decided upon at the next Committee Meeting in June.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on June 6th, 1992 at 8:30 a.m. at Oak Ridge Golf Club, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. Anyone interested in joining the Committee is invited to attend.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Monday, May 18th
Agawam Historical Association's
Annual Meeting & Banquet
Feeding Hills Congregational Church
Meeting at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner

Wednesday, May 20th
MOCA Meeting
Community Room, Ag. Police Dept.
7:00 p.m.
Open to the public

Thursday, May 21st
"Grief Workshop" program
(1st of 4 in series)
Sponsored by Colonial Funeral Home
Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St.
Call 733-5311 for more information
and to pre-register for this program

Saturday, May 30th
Agawam Townwide Clean-up Day
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by Fire Chief Rusty Jenks

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1. Alert everyone in the area that there is a fire and to start evacuation.

2. As you leave the area where the fire is located, close the door to confine the fire.

3. Call the fire department from a neighbor's. Remember, a fire grows quickly and you could become trapped.

4. Once everyone is out of the building, make sure they stay out.

You should not try to fight the fire until the first three steps have been completed. Also, if you cannot get within three to five feet of the fire, if it is more than five feet in height, or if it has spread beyond the point of origin, you should leave the area, closing the door behind you.

For information on the use of portable fire extinguishers, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

Rabies Clinic Slated For Police Station

A Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, May 16th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Agawam Police Headquarters, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Shots for your dog or cat will be \$8.

Veterans' Groups Plan To Flag Graves On Sat.

On Saturday, May 16th, the Agawam Veterans' Council, members of the American Legion Post 185 and V.F.W. Post 1632 will be meeting outside the Veterans Service Office at Town Hall at 8:00 a.m., from where they will disperse to the town cemeteries in order to place new flags on veterans' graves prior to Memorial Day.

All who are interested in participating in flagging graves are welcome to join by meeting at the Town Hall for assignment on Saturday, May 16th at 8:00 a.m.

At the May 11th meeting of the Agawam Veterans' Council, Mark McCormick was re-elected Chairman and Ruth Blitzas was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer for a one year term. Ruth reported that the Agawam Gazebo Building Fund is presently at \$1,967.

Donations can continue to be made through the Veterans Service Office in Town Hall.

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TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Middle School, 68 Main St., Agawam, THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1992 at 6:45 p.m. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of ROBERT J. & KIMBERLY A. FRAGEAU who are seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-69, Paragraph G-5 which would allow for the construction of a single family residence in an area of Town which is designated a Flood Plain Zone, at the premises identified as Lot No. 4 WARREN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald Hebert, Chairman,

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Agawam OBITUARIES

Dorothy I. Breveleri

Dorothy I. (Parker) Breveleri, 63, of River Road, Agawam, a retired baker at Storowton Tavern in West Springfield, died recently in Noble Hospital in Westfield.

She worked at the restaurant for more than 25 years, retiring earlier this year.

Born in Montreal, Quebec, she moved to Springfield, settling in Agawam 35 years ago.

She was a member of St. David's Episcopal Church. Her husband, Deno H. Breveleri, died last year.

She leaves a son, Larry D. of Westfield; a daughter, Linda M. Wilonski of Hamden, Connecticut; two brothers, Ronald of Cookstown, Ontario, and Norman of Ajax, Ontario, and a sister, Joyce Giaccone of Enfield's Hazardville section, and four grandchildren.

The funeral was at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, and in the church, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Noble Hospital Development Fund, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield, MA 01085.

Philip H. Neill

Philip H. Neill, 81, of 72 Oakland Street, West Springfield, a retired 37-year painter at the former Springfield plant of Westinghouse Corp., died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield. He retired in 1971.

Born in West Springfield, he lived in Agawam and in West Springfield all his life, and attended West Springfield schools.

He leaves his wife of 46 years, the former Leota M. Wilson; four brothers, Earl of Great Barrington, Everett of Stafford Springs, William of Monson, and Donald of Agawam; two sisters, Dorothy LoMonaco of Agawam, and Mildred Hamborg of Springfield; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held at Agawam Funeral Home, with burial at Springfield Street Cemetery in Feeding Hills.

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Agawam Crime Prevention...

Preventing Abuse In The Household

by Detective Wayne Macey
Agawam Police Department

The following information on abuse petitions, how to obtain them, and what specific information is required, was compiled from the text of the Massachusetts Criminal Law Reference Handbook.

It is intended to make victims of abuse aware of the relief available to them through the court system and their local police department. It is only recently that domestic violence has come to be recognized as a serious social problem, and our institutions—including the police—are often not equipped to handle it.

Chapter 209A is designed to improve the quality of police response to domestic disturbance calls, particularly to those involving spouse abuse.

Chapter 209A provides assistance to the abused by providing access to the courts and making available police intervention to prevent further abuse.

A person suffering from abuse from an adult or minor family or household member may file a complaint in the court requesting protection from such abuse, including, but not limited to, the following orders:

A.) Ordering the defendant to refrain from abusing the plaintiff whether the defendant is an adult

or a minor;

B.) Ordering the defendant to vacate forthwith the household. Notwithstanding, the provisions of section 34B of Chapter 208 (divorce Statute), the order is for a fixed period, not to exceed one year, unless extended by the court;

C.) Awarding the plaintiff, in the case of husband and wife, temporary custody of a minor child;

D.) Ordering the defendant to pay temporary support for the plaintiff or any child in the plaintiff's custody or both, when the defendant has a legal obligation to support such a person;

E.) Ordering the defendant to pay to the person abused monetary compensation for losses suffered as a direct result of such abuse. Compensatory losses shall include, but not be limited to, loss of earnings or support, out of pocket losses for injuries sustained, medical and moving expenses, and reasonable attorneys' fees;

F.) Ordering the plaintiff's address to be impounded.

No filing fee shall be charged, nor fees for copies of orders entered by the court.

If the plaintiff demonstrates a substantial

likelihood of immediate danger of abuse, the court may enter such temporary orders without notice as it deems necessary to protect the plaintiff from abuse and shall immediately thereafter notify the defendant that the temporary orders have issued. Notice will be made by the appropriate law enforcement agency.

When the court is closed for business, any justice of the superior, probate, and family district or municipal court departments may grant relief to the plaintiff if the plaintiff demonstrates a substantial likelihood of immediate danger of abuse.

Abuse prevention petitions have proven to be a highly effective tool in the battle against violence within the household. Used in the manner in which they were intended, they can be the weapon of relief sought by so many for so long.

These petitions should not be used as a mere paper of convenience for those experiencing minor marital difficulties. On the other hand, an abused spouse should not hesitate to file the proper paperwork in order to end his or her suffering, as well as that of a child within the household.

We of the police department are anxious to help and put an end to domestic violence.

Agawam Police Blotter For Last Week

On May 3rd, **Kenneth Allen**, 730 Edbert Road, Chicopee, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Sgt. Donald Loncto, Mark Pfau, and Walter Zymroz.

On May 3rd, **Debra Schipper**, 49 Willmont Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Eric Lottermoser, Steve Grasso, and Donald Gallerani.

On May 3rd, **Andrew Korzen**, 1508 Main Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with possession of a class "D" substance and receiving a stolen motor vehicle. Arresting officers were Mark Poggi, Richard Light Jr., Richard Conlon, and Richard Niles.

On May 4th, **James A. Reeves**, 211 West Street, Ludlow, was arrested and charged with two outstanding warrants and driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Edward Connor, Richard Conlon, Mike Gruska, and Richard Niles.

On May 5th, **Sandra J. Davidson**, Rhodes Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Southwick Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Keith Bopko, Sgt. William Silech, and Mark Ceccarini.

On May 6th, **Joseph M. Bernier**, 2071 Riverdale Road, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with two outstanding warrants. Arresting officers

were Steve Draghetti and Karen Langevin.

On May 6th, **Kenvil G. Rodney**, 18 Hillcrest Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension. Arresting officers were Mark Pfau and Richard Light Jr.

On May 7th, **Dawn Trembley**, 343 Birnie Avenue, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Keith Bopko and Mark Pfau.

On May 8th, **Jason E. Veretto**, 176 Glendale Avenue, Winsted, CT, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mark Poggi and Mark Pfau.

On May 8th, **Jennifer Cuil**, 175 Wallenshill, Winsted, CT, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mark Poggi and Mark Pfau.

On May 8th, **Jennifer L. Dwyer**, 140 Ridge Street, Winsted, CT, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mark Poggi and Mark Pfau.

On May 8th, **Jason P. Papp**, 165 Oak Street, Winsted, CT, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Mark Pfau and Mark Poggi.

On May 8th, **Michael Passini**, 50 Whiting Street, Winsted, CT, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting of-

ficers were Mark Pfau and Mark Poggi.

On May 9th, **Brian F. Robitaille**, 8 Sutton Place, Agawam, was arrested and charged with assault and battery and violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Mark Pfau and Jim Donovan.

On May 9th, **Arthur A. Headrich III**, 20 Beverly Terrace, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and weaving. Arresting officers were Ron Brown and Mark Pfau.

On May 9th, **Mark M. Martin**, 98 Valentine Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and possession of a forged license. Arresting officers were Paul Murphy, Mark Pfau, and Jim Donovan.

On May 9th, **Elizabeth E. Drewnowski**, 741 Mapleton Avenue, Suffield, CT, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person. Arresting officers were Joe Dymon and Robert Marsh.

On May 9th, **Gary Woods**, 61 Washington Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Richard Niles.

On May 9th, **Martha Schubach**, 24 Church Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with being a disorderly person and possession of a class "B" substance. Arresting officers were Mark Poggi, Richard Conlon, and Gary O'Brien.

Please remember that our deadline is every Tuesday at noon-time. We DO APPRECIATE those who bring in their classifieds and news copy on Monday. Every little bit helps!!!

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Agawam Obituaries - continued.....

Benjamin Lockhart

Benjamin T. Lockhart, 74, of 870 Main Street, Agawam, past president of the Agawam Town Council, died recently in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

He served for many years as both councilor and president of the Agawam Town Council. While a councilor, he was chairman of the Middle School Renovation Committee, and was instrumental in placing the referendum question on the November 1989 ballot asking whether residents wanted their community to be known as a city or town.

Lockhart was a former chairman of the Energy Commission, served as chairman of the Planning Committee, and was vice chairman of the Second Charter Commission, defending the council-mayor charter over the council-manager form of government.

He also served on the school committee and was a former town meeting member.

He was ordained a minister in 1941 and served 41 years at First Baptist Church in Hanover, Bridgewater, and Agawam. He served the last 17 years at First Congregational Church in Springfield's Indian Orchard section.

He was also a former chaplain at the York Street Jail in Springfield, the Westfield Detention Center, and at the Wesson unit of Baystate Medical Center.

He was elected president of the Council of Churches of Greater Springfield in 1975. He was also the founder of the First Baptist Church kitchen at the Eastern States Exposition and coordinated that effort for 27 years.

Born in Roxbury, he was a graduate of Boston schools, and also Gordon College and Andover-Newton Theological School.

He also served as chaplain during his 25 years in the National Guard. He attained the rank of major upon retirement from active duty. He moved to Agawam 40 years ago, and was also the dean of the Ocean Park Youth Camp.

He leaves his wife, the former Helen

Christopher; two sons, Peter of Agawam and Gregory of Wilbraham; two daughters, Pamela Moriarty of Brimfield and Valerie Lockhart of Los Angeles, California; a sister, Dorothy Nugent of Boston, and six grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at First Baptist Church in Agawam, with burial at the convenience of the family. Ratell Funeral Home in Springfield's Indian Orchard section was in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

Nellie Mary Kida

Nellie Mary Kida, 89, of 51 Maple Street, Agawam, died recently in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

Born in Poland, she lived in East Longmeadow for many years before moving to Agawam 11 years ago.

She was a member of Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Springfield. Her husband, Frank Kida, died in 1980.

She leaves two sons, Edwin F. of West Springfield and Chester A. Kida of Ventura, California, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Springfield Funeral Home, and in the church, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, all in Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 28 Underwood Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

Doreen I. Morse

Doreen I. (Lauder) Morse, 64, of 74 Springfield Street, Agawam, a former six-year inspector at Bridgeport National Book Binding, died recently

at Western Massachusetts Hospital in Westfield. Born in Dartmouth, Devonshire, England, she emigrated to this country in 1946. She lived in Westfield for many years before moving here in 1979.

She leaves her husband, Alvin M. Morse; four sons, Wayne Williams of Springfield, Michael Williams of Channelview, Texas, Lawrence Williams of Huffman, Texas, and Robin Williams of Agawam; four daughters, Sandra Marion of Channelview, Virginia Williams of Monson, Cindy Gumlaw of Chicopee and Tammy Peterson of Granby, Connecticut; a sister, Nowella Morris of Westfield; her stepmother, Beatrice (Sober) Lauder, and a stepsister, Marjorie Reynolds, both of Waltham, 13 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Another daughter, Kimberly Williams, died in 1980.

The funeral was at Robert E. Cusak Funeral Home, with burial at Pine Hill Cemetery, both in Westfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to any charity.

Selena B. Sealander

Selena B. (Walters) Sealander, 87, of 100 Harvey Johnson Drive, Agawam, a retired hairdresser, died Wednesday in a local nursing home.

She owned and ran a salon at her home for many years.

Born in Springfield, she was a graduate of West Springfield High School. She moved to this town 19 years ago.

Her husband, Francis V. Sealander, died in 1978.

She leaves two nieces, Beverly A. Morgan of West Springfield and Shirley Pace of Southwick, and a nephew, Walter Morgan of Southwick.

Funeral services were held at Byron's Funeral Home in Springfield, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

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Ag. Congregational Slates Events For Rest Of May

Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, announces its listing of upcoming events and activities:

This Sunday, May 17th, is Children's Day. All church school classes will present a short program for our members. The theme for the day is "We are all God's children." Please plan on attending this special day for our children.

The church's Wednesday Night Service continues at 7:30 p.m., with the R.E.L.A.T.E. series following at 8:00 p.m.

The "Faith in Action" series for the ninth grade students at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings will have two special guests on two upcoming Sundays.

On Sunday, May 17th, Doug Walsh (a teacher at Agawam Junior High School), and on Sunday, May 31st, Raymond Pond (an Agawam firefighter), will share their thoughts about "faith in action."

The church's Family Night for May is this Friday, May 15th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Member Judy Lefebvre will demonstrate the basics of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and special "summertime" first aid.

Bring your favorite dessert to share, then stay for the session on first aid. Childcare is available. For more information, or to register, call Sue Tapply, 786-1430.

A car wash is slated for Saturday, May 16th, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$2 per car, and \$3 per van. This is a fundraiser for the Junior High Youth Group.

On Saturday, May 30th, there will be a Talent Auction following the Worship Service. Come and bid on the volunteers' talents or services that they have to offer. This will benefit the Senior High youths who are going to Wisconsin in June, and other upcoming youth events.

The second annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, June 13th. Polish your clubs and practice your swing! The 18-hole Golf Tournament will be held at St. Anne's Golf Course. The fee is \$25.

All men, women, juniors, and seniors are encouraged to participate. The Tournament will begin at 10:00 a.m. For tee times, contact Charlie McCobb, 786-8195, or the church office, 786-7111.

The next New Member Class will be Thursday, May 21st, at 7:30 p.m. Childcare will be provided.

The Agawam Congregational Church's third annual Talent Show is being planned for Sunday, June 14th. Come and enjoy a night of entertainment put on by its talented youth and adults.

The first rehearsal will be held this Sunday, May 17th, at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to participate in this event.

Eddie Barako Feted For 70th Birthday

Lordy, Lordy, who is 70?

On May 15th, Eddie Barako, secretary of the Polish American Club and its Bingo Caller, will hit Oh 70! Eddie will go via Peter Pan for a five-day birthday celebration to Wildwood Crest, New Jersey (past A.C.).

Joining Oh 70 will be 43 Friends of the Senior Center. Ed's philosophy—enjoy life today; you can't guarantee tomorrow.

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Citizens For Life Hold Tag Sale



THE AGAWAM CHAPTER of the Massachusetts Citizens For Life recently held a Tag Sale at the Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills. Items included jewelry, books, household items, and novelties. Pictured from left are Frances Simeoli, Agnes DeLucchi, and Ruth Bitzas. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Knitting Guild Plans Next Meeting In F.H.

The Greater Springfield Knitting Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the Yarn Shop, 360 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

All knitters, both beginners and advanced, are welcome.

For further information, contact Frieda at 567-6387 or Judy at 567-5380.

Citizens For Life To Gather May 26th

The Agawam Chapter of Mass. Citizens for Life will meet on Tuesday, May 26th at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Police Station Community Room.

For more information, call 568-1679 or 789-4117.

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by Tom Crouse, Assistant Pastor
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I wish I could go home. I can't stop crying, I can't stop thinking about home, friends, family. I don't want them to end up here. Oh God, where are you? Help me please.

What? I know I had many chances. But it is horrible here, I never thought it was true. I thought I would have more time. Please, I am being tortured.

My flesh is burning, my mouth is full of sores, I want to sleep but they won't let me, I want to die but I can't. When will it end?

It won't? Oh God, please, I know I could have been saved from all of this if I just believed, but I never thought it was true. I didn't think the Bible was right, or those crazy born again Christians who told me many times how to avoid this place, I mean ... I never thought it was for me ... I thought it was for weak people.

O.K., if you can't help me then help my family. Send an angel or a sign to show them that you are real. Please, I don't want them to end up here. What? I know they have the Bible and churches that teach the Bible, but I thought ... well ...

You mean if they won't believe the Bible and those that preach and teach it, they won't believe a sign? Yea, I guess you're right, I wouldn't have believed a sign either.

I wish I could forget everything. I can't stop thinking about how many times I could have taken Jesus as my saviour. I want to stop thinking about that, but I can't. It is so hot, my skin won't stop burning.

I can't believe this is true, I can't believe the Bible was right. There is no relief, no end to this torture, this torment, this pain. I wish I could stop thinking, remembering.

Oh when will this end, what will I do?
(Based on Luke 16:23-31)

Do-It-Yourself Crafts At Agawam Library

Come to the Agawam Public Library anytime between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 30th and take part in our Do-It-Yourself Craft Table: GROWING THINGS.

Collect your kit at the circulation desk and the rest of what you'll need will be out in our hallway or, if it's nice, outside.

You can plant a seed or two, take it home and in a little while, with help, you can transplant to your garden and something beautiful will grow!

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Ag. United Methodist Church To Celebrate Sacrament Of Baptism At May 17th Service

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH will celebrate church growth Sunday as well as the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, May 17th, at the regular 9:30 a.m. Worship Hour. Every church participant is asked to invite and bring a friend to worship.

Pastor Lawrence Hill will preach on "How to grow a Church." Prayers and Scripture readings will deal with what makes a church grow. Douglas William Telford, son of Brian and Debra Telford, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. The choir will sing under the direction of Mrs. Love Ashton, and there will be a Children's Time before the children leave for Sunday School. A Fellowship Hour will be held following the worship service.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH'S Newsletter articles must be in to Editors Julia Wilson and Suzanne Ainey by this Sunday, May 17th, in order to be included in the June Edition.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN of Agawam United Methodist Church invite all women of the church and community to a program on long-range funeral planning options, Thursday, May 21st, at 7:30 p.m., at the church. Guest speaker will be Peter Forastiere of the Forastiere Funeral Homes. There is no charge for the program.

Agawam United Methodist Church is on Route 57, across from Agawam High School's Harmon Smith Field. Further information is available from Pastor Hill at 786-4174 or 786-5278.

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IN TOP PHOTO, Diane Graveline, coordinator of the upcoming "Town Fair" sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club, laughs as her son, Christopher, tries out the "Ninja Turtle" game booth; in photo below, Nancy Campi, also a coordinator of the "Town Fair," gives her daughter, Pamela, an opportunity to try the "Little Mermaid" game booth.



Dunking Booth One Of Features At Town Fair

Diane Graveline and Nancy Campi, co-organizers of the AGAWAM TOWN FAIR, have been busy painting the "Little Mermaid" and "Ninja Turtle" photo-posters along with a clown, which were all drawn by Jim Graveline and will be available for photos at the Town Fair.

The Fair will be held on Saturday, May 23rd from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Perry Lane Park in Agawam and promises to be lots of fun for families.

Admission is free.

Various town organizations will be sponsoring game booths, including: pie-throwing, a cake walk, basketball throw, ring toss, balloon darts and lots more. Game tickets are 25¢ and lots of prizes will be awarded.

The Fair will also feature face painting, candy, popcorn, food and free balloons. In addition, costumed characters from Riverside Park will be visiting.

And don't miss your big chance at the dunking booth!

The following will be available for dunking:

10:00 a.m., **Richard Theroux**, Town Clerk; 11:00 a.m., **Mayor Chris Johnson**; 11:30 a.m., **Jim Ryan**, Advisor for the Junior High Non-Users Club; 12:30 p.m., **Ric Sardella**, Editor/Publisher of the AAN; 1:00 p.m., **Senator Linda Melconian**; 2:00 p.m., **Kirk Parker**, elementary phys. ed. teacher; 3:00 p.m., **Tommy Ennis**, Town Councilor; 3:30 p.m., **Donald Gallerani**, D.A.R.E. officer.

Due to limited parking at Perry Lane Park, free shuttle bus service will be provided from Phelps School, courtesy of King Ward Bus Co. with the help of George & Green Real Estate.

Raindate for the Fair is May 30th.

The Fair is sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club who would like to thank all the businesses who contributed to make this event possible.

Proceeds from the game booths go directly to the sponsoring organization. Proceeds from booths run by the Junior Women's Club will benefit the club's community projects.

For more information about the fair, please call Agawam Junior Women's Club members, Diane (786-5540) or Nancy (786-9972).

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts.

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Memorial Scholarship For Lisa Ziegert

Agawam residents will soon have an opportunity to honor the memory of Lisa Ziegert through the establishment of a scholarship for future educators.

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All proceeds from the sale of these bows will go to the scholarship fund.

Bows may now be purchased at Country Flowers and Gifts, 501 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills and through Jane Dennis at 789-3402. Pin-on bows will also be sold at E.B.'s Restaurant, 385 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam.

For additional information or to order, call Country Flowers and Gifts at 786-7563 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

Remembering that Lisa was so interested in the education of the young people in our area, this seems an appropriate way to keep her memory alive. We are confident that our community will support this effort in her name.

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Garden Club To Hold Annual Plant Sale

The Agawam Garden Club will hold its Annual Plant Sale, Saturday, May 16th from 9:00 a.m. to noon, on the grounds of The Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street.

The event will be held rain or shine.

For sale will be annuals, geraniums, perennials, herbs and vegetables, in addition to cemetery boxes.

There will also be a table of homebaked goods.

Proceeds from the sale will benefit the club's scholarship fund.

Ag. Historical Asso. Sets Annual Banquet

The Agawam Historical Association's annual meeting and banquet will be held Monday, May 18th at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

The meeting will be held first at 6:00 p.m., followed by a Roast Beef dinner.

The speaker will be William Young, regarding "Experiences in Local Archaeology."

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Mr. & Mrs. Adamski Celebrate 40th

The Yankee Pedlar in Holyoke was the site for a surprise 40th wedding anniversary celebration for Norbert and Wanda Adamski of Feeding Hills hosted by their children. Approximately 50 family members attended the brunch held on April 26th.

Among those present were four of their five children—Ed of Agawam, Steven of Feeding Hills, Sandra Thornton of Fairfax, CA, and Susan Grupp of North Granby, CT, and their four grandchildren: Lauren, Nathan, Danny, and Michelle.

Their youngest son, Paul of Korea, was unable to return home for the occasion.

Ag. American Legion To Install Officers

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 185 of Agawam announces that the initiation of its members will take place on Saturday, May 16th, at 2:00 p.m. Guests and family members are invited.

Coffee and desserts will be provided by "Have Your Cake and Eat It Too" (a new health program). Any Post and Auxiliary members are urged to attend.

Dominican Nuns To Hold Sunday Prayer & Song

The monthly Hour of Prayer and Song for the families of the world will be held at the Dominican Nuns' Monastery Chapel on Sunday, May 17th, at 4:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The service will include the singing of Evening Prayer and the recitation of the rosary, sermon and Benediction.



THE NEW EAGLE SCOUT from Troop 75 of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills is Michael Brames. Michael is being congratulated by Mayor Christopher C. Johnson (left) and State Representative Michael P. Walsh.

Michael Brames New Troop 75 Eagle Scout

Michael Brames of Troop 75 at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

Michael has been in scouting since 1981. In the eleven years, he has earned the arrow of light in cub scouting and attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Virginia in 1989.

For his Eagle project, Michael supervised his troop in creating a trail through the wetlands off School Street under the direction of the conservation commission.

His awards banquet was held April 12th at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Many family, friends and fellow scouts attended. Also present were Mayor Christopher Johnson and State Representative Michael Walsh, both giving him letters of recognition for this outstanding achievement.

Michael is presently assistant Scout Master of Troop 75. He will graduate in June and has joined the Navy's delayed entry program, with departure planned for October.

Airman Graveline Grad Of Basic Training

Airman Peter J. Graveline has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Barbara Leroux of 380 Meadow Street, Agawam.

Graveline is a 1991 graduate of Agawam High School.

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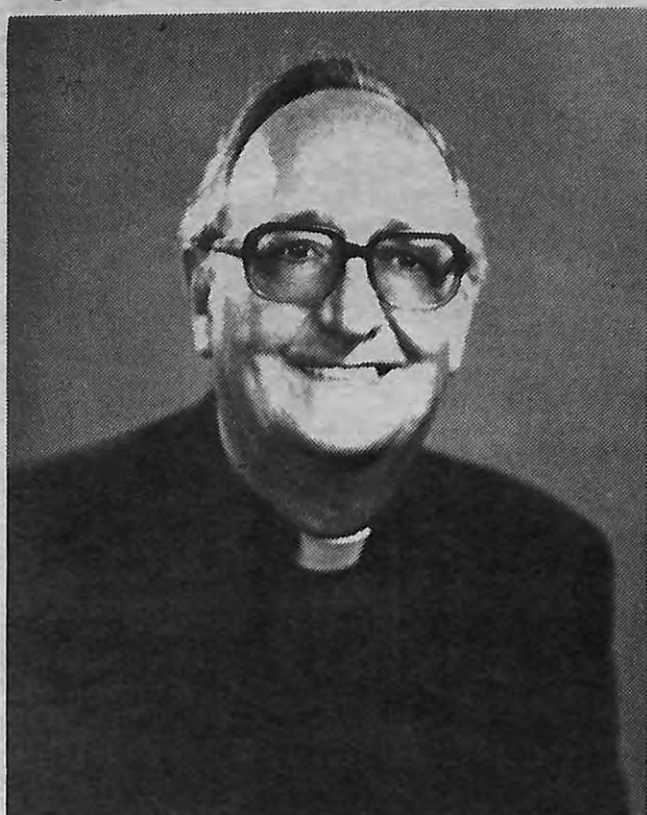
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Four-Day Mission At St. Theresa Church Starting May 18th

There will be a four day Parish Mission, Monday, May 18th until Thursday, May 21st, at St. Theresa Church, Bridge Street, Agawam.

There will be two sessions each day, one at 9:00 a.m. and one at 7:00 p.m. The two will be the same each day.

It will consist of Mass, Mission Homily and Confessions. This will make it possible for more to attend.

The theme of the Mission will be "Understanding, Celebrating and Living the Eucharist."

Everyone is invited to attend this Mission either at the morning session or at the evening session, as it is also open to the public.

Father Donald J. Jette, SSS, a Blessed Sacrament priest, will be the Mission Preacher. He is a native of Chicopee.

Since 1987, Father Jette has resided at Corpus Christi Church in Houston, Texas and is Director of the Mission Band of the Blessed Sacrament Fathers in the United States. In the past four years, besides preaching many priests' and religious retreats, he has conducted parish missions in over 80 parishes in the U.S. from New York to California.



CELEBRATING THE 80TH birthday of Louise White (seated, center) are Shirley Parker and Beverly Garvey (standing); and Jessica Curry, Jennifer Bartula, and Rachel Curry (front row with Louise).

Louise White Honored For 80th Birthday

Louise (Lake) White was recently honored at a surprise 80th birthday party at the Captain Charles Leonard House.

It was given by her daughters, Shirley Parker of York, Maine, and Beverly Garvey of Springfield.

Family and friends attended, including five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. We all send her our best wishes and love.

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The Forastiere Family Funeral Homes will be offering their bi-annual "Grief Workshop" series for anyone in the community who has experienced the death of a loved one, on Thursdays, May 21, 28th, and June 4th and 11th, at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, in Agawam.

The Series was designed exclusively for the Forastiere Funeral Homes as part of their "OPTIONS...for a brighter tomorrow" emotional support program for people following the death of loved ones. Lila Forastiere, Staff Grief Consultant, conducts it twice each year, and it has enjoyed continual growth and acclaim, having aided hundreds of bereaved people in our communities.

The focus of the workshop is to help bereaved people understand themselves and their families during their grief process, learn ways to cope with their daily living, and look toward their futures with renewed hope.

Forastiere stresses that "understanding is the key to a healthy journey through grief; it's the important first step. The workshop can't take away the pain, but it often softens that pain and lessens its duration."

The workshop is a series, with one session building upon another; it is, therefore, necessary that participants are present for all four evenings.

This series is one of the many "Caring Programs" developed by the Forastiere, Colonial and Southwick Funeral Homes and is offered FREE OF CHARGE to anyone whose loved one has died.

Mrs. Forastiere urges anyone who is grieving a loss of less than two years to take advantage of this community service program. She suggests that participants be beyond three months of bereavement.

Pre-registration is required, as enrollments will be limited. Call 733-5311 to register.



MR. & MRS. MICHAEL S. KENNEDY

Rachel A. Borgia Bride Of Michael S. Kennedy

Rachel Arlene Borgia (formerly of Chicopee) and Michael Scott Kennedy were united in marriage during a Scottish ceremony on April 10th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Chicopee.

The bride is the daughter of SFC and Mrs. Dominick S. Borgia of 28 Pierce Street, Enfield, CT; the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kennedy of 98 Chestnut Street, Agawam.

Performed by Father Francis Kennedy, the ceremony featured bagpipes for the procession and recession, and organ music for "Ave Maria." The church, meanwhile, was decorated with baskets of white and purple flowers.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father (who was dressed in Army dress blues), wore a dress that had a sweetheart neckline, cut lace outlining bodice with satin puffed sleeves, and draped satin with yards of chantilly, with matching lace and pearls on veil. She also wore an opal and diamond necklace that was given to her by her father.

The bride's mother wore purple satin with winged off the shoulder collar (tea length), and the groom's mother wore fuschia chiffon with overlace jacket (tea length).

Wearing purple satin gowns with lace bodice and satin sling caped shoulders, Mrs. Diane Lalonde of Massena, New York, served as matron of honor, and Mrs. Suzanne Malloy of Springfield was the maid of honor. Ms. Paula Fieldstad of Agawam served as a bridesmaid.

The best man was Doug Thies of Agawam and the ushers were Mark Thibeault and Tony DePallo, also from Agawam, and they (as did the groom) wore black watch kilts with full Scottish wedding accessories.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Ludlow Country Club, and the wedding cake was done entirely by the groom. At that time, flags and flower tributes were given to the bride and groom's grandfathers, who were heroes during World War II.

The bride is a graduate of Massena High School and Seaway Area Tech, where she earned an LPN degree. She is currently employed as a medical/surgical LPN at Holyoke Hospital.

The groom graduated from Agawam High School and Johnson & Wales in Providence, Rhode Island, where he received two degrees in culinary and pastry. He is employed as a pastry chef at the Yankee Pedlar in Holyoke.

After a honeymoon to Scotland and England, the couple will reside in Agawam.

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FROM LEFT - David Flynn and Karen Schn... Mike Gillette and Amy Prochaska. Advertiser News



LOOKING CHIC IN '92, from left - Jovita Carrasco and Andres Meza; Paola Anselmetti and Dave Gillette; Christine Hatzipetro and Kevin Fleury. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PROM GOERS, from left - Bob Mezzetti and Tara Guertin; Joe Marsh and Jennifer Nardi; Ken Messenger and Keri Couture. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



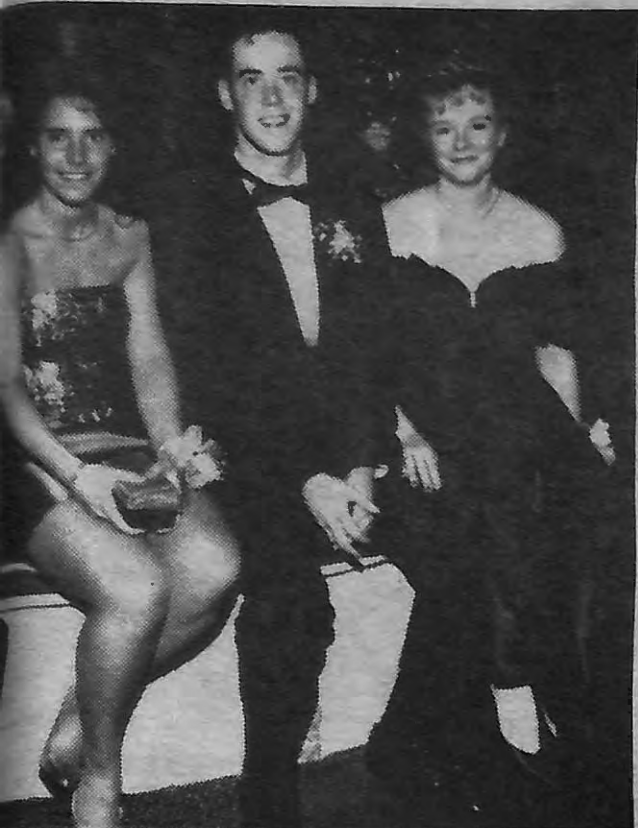
THE PROM LINEUP, from left - Joey Gaylor and Shauna Nacewicz; Tommy Briggs and Sheila Martin; Mike Briggs and Amy Marcotte; Christopher Roy and Katie McCarthy; and Ian Anderson and Heather Wynne. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JUST ARRIVED, from left - Jim Mayhew and Jason Turner and Joy Gaudreau; Brian Free... Duga. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

“Just For A Moment”

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der; Scott Dunaisky and Laura Bielitz; and
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DOWN THE STAIRCASE - Melissa Benerakis and Mike Caravaggi; Milissa Parentela and Michael Birk; Alicia Biagetti and Bill Philip; and Serena Barber and Jason Blackburn. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LOOKING GREAT IN '92 at the AHS Prom are Amy Scalise and Daren T. Conlin; Ann Maklary and Scott Litz; and Beth Schroeder and Todd Chamberlain. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AHS PROM '92, from left - Karen Baumgardner and Mike Canty; Tiffany Lemelin and Darren Evangelista; and Lisa Sands and Tony Maggi. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



Erin Bradley; David Barre and Cathy Hill;
an and Katie Fitzpatrick; Ben Ferris and Kim



AHS PROM '92, from left - Michael Montessi and Nina Giordano; Scott Rapacki and Jamie Lewis; Mike Spiriti and Heidi Guest; Jeff Henderson and Shannon Hogan. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Elderly Enjoy Agawam UNICO Supper



KEEPING THE HOT COFFEE FLOWING for senior citizens on May 3rd are UNICO members, from left - Louis Russo (president), Al DallaPegorara, and Louis Scherpa (dinner chairman). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KITCHEN HELPERS at the Agawam Senior Center for UNICO's Annual Supper for senior citizens included UNICO members, from left - Jim Willis, Tony Polacco, and Tom Leahy. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ELIZABETH STODERD and BEVERLY HUMISTON enjoy their ziti and meatballs prepared courtesy of the Agawam UNICO Club at the Agawam Senior Center on May 3rd. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AL MALONE (left) and AL D'AGOSTINO are two familiar faces around any UNICO event. Both were the chief salad makers for the club's Annual Supper for senior citizens at the Agawam Senior Center on May 3rd. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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55-Year Reunion For AHS Class Of '37



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH CLASS of 1937 held their 55th Reunion at Storowton Tavern. From left - Walter T. Kerr, former state rep. and town councilor; Elaine Thompson, who traveled from Salt Lake City to attend; Avilda Paradzick of Derry, New Hampshire; and Charlotte Haynes, William T. Walsh, and Mary Cimaroli, all members of the Reunion Committee. Advertiser News photos by R.T. McMullen.



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH CLASS OF 1937 at the gala 55th Class Reunion at Old Storowton Tavern in West Springfield. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Agawam Senior Center Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, May 18th: Meatballs & spaghetti, broccoli, Vienna bread, fresh fruit.

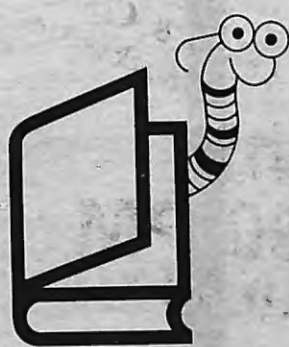
Tuesday, May 19th: Turkey pot pie (potatoes, carrots, onions, celery, peas), tossed salad, Canadian oat bread, lemon crunch.

Wednesday, May 20th: Baked chicken leg, mashed potatoes, peas, whole wheat bread, chocolate pudding with whipped topping.

Thursday, May 21st: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, pumpernickel bread, mixed fruit.

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PASSING OUT THE HOMEMADE DESSERT at the Community Grange Ziti & Meatball Supper on May 4th were (left) Ellen Kloster, Evelyn Cordi, and Barbara Pronovost. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



IN TOP PHOTO, Ruth McCabe and Phyl Robinson and PHOTO BELOW Marjorie Phillips and Marion Gates enjoy their Ziti & Meatball Supper at the Community Grange building on North West Street, Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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KITCHEN SUPPORT at the May 4th Ziti & Meatball Supper at the Community Grange Hall on North West Street included (left) Florence Blish, Joan Comee, and Jackie Cavanaugh. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Spotlight On Business



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Albert Cawley New Branch Manager At Ludlow Savings

Albert Cawley of the Feeding Hills section of Agawam has been named Branch Manager of the Page Boulevard, Springfield Office of the Ludlow Savings Bank, announced recently by Bank President Malcolm R. George.

Cawley joined the Ludlow Savings Bank in 1985 as an Assistant Branch Manager at the Page Blvd. Office. Prior to joining Ludlow Savings Bank, Cawley was employed by The Westover Credit Union which later became the Pioneer Valley Credit Union.

Cawley has received certificates for attendance at various industry related banking seminars and courses. He is also a licensed Savings Bank Life Insurance Agent.

A graduate of Agawam High School, he also received an Associates Degree in Business Administration from Holyoke Community College.

Raymond Chadwick Joins Landry & Co.

Laurence D. Landry, President of LANDRY, LYONS & WHYTE Company/Better Homes and Gardens announces that Raymond Chadwick has joined their West Springfield office as a Sales Associate.

Chadwick's educational background includes the State University of New York in Farmingdale, New York. He has 13 years of sales experience and has been a resident of this community for 22 years.

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Part of my responsibility of being a mortgage officer is reviewing the credit worthiness of people that are applying for a loan. In most cases, I find clients paying their monthly charge and credit card bills on a timely basis ... however, there are still plenty of times that I must reject loan applications for a mortgage because of their tardiness in making their monthly payments.

When I discuss my negative findings with the applicants, it's unfortunate that I typically hear the same thing from everyone ... "I bought things that I really didn't need ... at prices that I can't afford ... with money that I don't have!"

I then instruct them on several ideas on how to start making changes and repairing their credit ... so that in the months ahead, I can give them the positive answer that they're looking for ... and authorize them a mortgage.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...**RAYMOND ROSE - from Page 20...**

start using the credit card companies' money **FREE** each month ... buy only the things you could purchase with cash ... and pay each bill **IN FULL** when you receive it (be sure you have charge/credit cards that offer you a grace period).

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—You don't know the balance of all of your credit cards ... and you're afraid to add it up.

—Not only don't you pay the balance on your card, you pay **ONLY** the minimum (or less) on your credit cards monthly.

—You don't let your husband/wife see the bills ... maybe you even hide them.

—Do you charge/buy things just because they're on sale?

—You have reached the charging limits on all your credit cards.

—You are charging items that you once paid for in cash.

—You struggle to pay all the minimum monthly payments.

—You juggle other bills.

—The percentage of your net income used for paying your charge cards is increasing.

—You are spending/charging more because of an anticipated increase in your income.

—You no longer contribute to payroll savings/your 401-K/a savings account, etc.

—Your savings account has a low/no balance.

—You are late paying some/all of your bills.

—Each month's charge card balance is higher than the month's before.

—You begin to borrow money to pay for regular household expenses.

—You're excited because you've found a new source to borrow money.

—You're borrowing money from one source to pay another bill.

—You apply for more credit cards to increase your borrowing power.

—Over the past months, you have significantly increased the amount of credit cards.

—You find yourself applying for charge cards from every store that you shop.

—You have drawn from savings just to pay regular bills.

—You don't have an emergency/investment fund available to cover three to six months' expenses.

—Your emergency/investment fund is less than your credit card debt.

—You are receiving overdue notices.

—You pay your bills with money scheduled for other financial goals.

—Twenty percent or more of your net income

goes towards paying for credit card bills.

—You post-date checks so they won't bounce.

—You rush to the bank every payday to cover checks that you've already written.

—You take a cash advance from one credit card to make a payment on another.

—You can't imagine what your life would be like without a credit card.

If any of these areas hit a nerve, take a good hard look in the mirror ... it won't get any easier unless you make changes.

If you are working/struggling to pay for things that aren't really that important to you ... things that you bought on impulse ... things "you must have" ... then make a commitment to make changes in your spending habits ... and start analyzing your priorities.

REMEMBER, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING IF YOU PUT YOUR MIND TO IT!

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Hearing & Speech Proclaimed By Mayor For Month Of May

May will be observed as "Better Hearing & Speech Month" in Agawam, according to a proclamation issued by Mayor Christopher Johnson.

In signing the proclamation, the mayor said the purpose of the observance is to focus community attention on hearing conservation and the need for each citizen to make sure he or she is not suffering from an undetected hearing loss.

Citing the fact that an estimated 7% of area residents have a measurable hearing impairment, the mayor noted that hearing loss is one of the nation's most common disabilities.

"Throughout the U.S., it is estimated that as many as 30 million Americans have measurable hearing or speech impairments," Mayor Johnson said. "It is my hope that observance of Better Hearing and Speech Month during May will alert people to the need to follow common-sense hearing health procedures."

One of the most important of these procedures is an annual hearing examination, according to John Bartolucci, a local hearing aid specialist and community coordinator for Better Hearing and Speech Month. Bartolucci is the owner and president of the Beltone Hearing Aid Centers in West Springfield, Pittsfield, Greenfield, Westfield, Worcester, and Brattleboro, Vermont.

The effects of unaided hearing loss are profound. In children, poor hearing can inhibit learning and social development. For adults, not being able to hear often makes people feel left out and disoriented. These people may withdraw from family, friends and the outside world.

"Whether mild or severe, all hearing loss hinders our ability to communicate and reduces our contact with people and the outside world," says Bartolucci. "As hearing loss progresses, misunderstandings and tension increase while the person struggles to hear and understand con-



AGAWAM MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON (center) proclaimed May as "Better Hearing & Speech Month" in Agawam and presented a proclamation to John Bartolucci and Rebecca Wartelet of Beltone Hearing Aid Centers. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

versation."

Yet these problems are preventable. Usually, mild and moderate hearing losses can be easily helped with hearing aids.

"Diagnosis of hearing loss is critical," says Bartolucci. The type and cause of hearing loss

will determine the best way to treat the problem. Trained hearing aid specialists and audiologists are certified by the state to test for hearing loss and to fit hearing aids.

In any case, a yearly hearing test by a hearing aid specialist is recommended.

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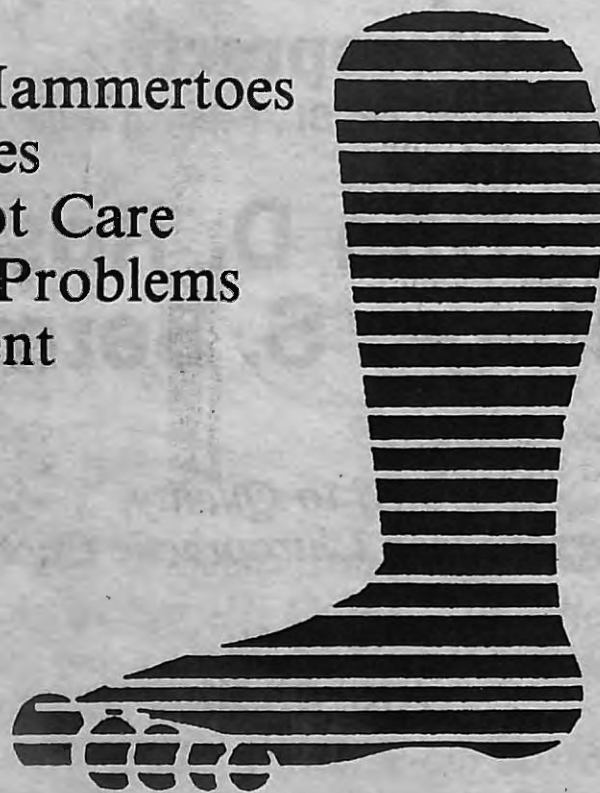
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& YOUR HEALTH**By Drs. Joseph & Katherine
Schlauffer - Chiropractors**Battling Whiplash**

The term "whiplash" is most often used to describe a type of neck injury that occurs when a person is involved in an automobile accident. In a typical example, the victim is usually relaxed and not expecting a collision when suddenly their car is struck from behind.

The neck sustains more damage from a rear-end collision than when the vehicle is struck from the front. The head tends to remain stationary as the rest of the body is pushed out from under it during this type of collision. The resulting damage to the neck occurs as ligaments and muscles overstretch and vertebrae misalign.

Even when there is no immediate discomfort, most experts agree that people involved in a moving vehicle accident will suffer some form of whiplash injury. The impact of a collision from an automobile traveling at only five miles per hour is enough to cause injury to the neck.

Many people walk away from accidents believing they are not injured because they did not break any bones or lose any blood. To make matters worse, they are often told by emergency room physicians that the pain and stiffness in the neck "will go away...it just takes time."

In most cases, neck pain that was evident at the time of the injury does slowly dissipate, although the spinal misalignments have not been corrected. Therein lies some of the hidden dangers.

When the alignment of the vertebrae is disturbed so that pinching of nerves occurs, symptoms may include neck, shoulder and arm pain or numbness, headaches, and other functional disturbances such as visual or hearing disturbances or loss of appetite.

Manifestations of whiplash may not show up on x-ray examination for months.

In this age of high-speed transportation and sport, "whiplash" has become commonplace. This is an injury which may cause long-term discomfort, or even permanent damage, to the victim. It offers a diagnostic and therapeutic challenge for which the doctor of chiropractic is uniquely suited.

Corrective chiropractic treatment following whiplash type injuries is recommended to prevent many of these adverse effects. For further information call the Schlauffer Chiropractic Office at 192 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, MA, 01001, (413) 789-1369.

**"Commit To Get Fit"
During Month Of May**

In conjunction with May being "Commit to Get Fit Month," Fitness First will be offering a free stress management seminar on Wednesday, May 20th at 7:00 p.m.

The seminar will cover such areas as identifying potential stressors in the work and home environment, as well as utilizing coping mechanisms for stress reduction and elimination.

The seminar will be conducted by Sherry Everett, a Master's student in Health and Wellness Promotions at Springfield College, and Barb Vinciguerra, a Doctoral Student in Physical Education/Sport Psychology at Springfield College.

Please contact Fitness First at 786-1460 with any further questions.

**CPR Class Slated At
Ag. Police Station**

A class in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) will be held on May 22nd and 25th, in the Community Room of the Agawam Police Department building, 681 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Rescue breathing, conscious and unconscious choking, and CPR for infants, children, and adults will be covered over two nights. Course material is geared for both the professional and general public rescuer.

The AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION certification issued through this course will meet many job requirements such as those for day care providers, lifeguards, or nurses. This course meets O.S.H.A. regulations as well.

The cost of \$32 will cover all course materials, mannequin use, books, and cards. Call 786-5912 to register or for further information.

Please do not call the police department.

**Breast Cancer Support
At Mercy Hospital**

The Breast Cancer Support Group will be held weekly in the month of May at the Women's Pavilion at the Mercy Hospital Center for Health.

The group is open to women who have experienced mastectomy and other breast surgery or have been diagnosed as having breast cancer. The group is also open to family and friends who are close to the cancer patient and want to share in their experiences and concerns.

The group will meet on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Women's Pavilion. For more information, call 785-4637.

**Managing
YOUR
STRESS**by Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.**Keep Your Sights High!**

(A special motivational article/commentary by Dr. Steve Sobel, Founder and Director of The New England Institute For Stress Management of West Springfield.)

I am often asked the question "How did you get the results in your life that you deserve?" This is a great question, because when you obtain results or accomplishments in your life, **your self-esteem rises dramatically.**

You get results by following a few of my basic ideas consistently:

(1) Define what you want (a bigger car? a better relationship with your spouse? a new job? to be more patient? etc.) and write it down.

(2) **Underneath** what you wrote down, write the steps you'll need to take (the actions!), however small, to make the outcome a reality. List the steps you'll need to take over the next six months.

(3) Write down each day what you have done to "obtain my goal."

If you start to follow these ideas, you will find that you have provided the "structure" for obtaining your goals. What you have really done is set up a system to monitor your actions that help you move towards what you want. Without action, we become "paralyzed" and reap few, if any, rewards.

Successful people realize that great accomplishments are the result of planning what you want, following through with action, and not giving up. If you feel like giving up, perhaps what you really need to do is try a different method or action **but** keeping the same desired outcome!

Remember what Dr. Sobel says: "It is okay to get knocked down—as long as you don't get knocked out!" Go for what you want and you'll feel more in control of your life!

*** IMPORTANT READER INFO ***

—**"Stress Check": Attend! Join us on May 20th** for the seminar "Creating High Self-Esteem & Success," from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Ramada in West Springfield. Only \$10 per person! Call 785-1259 to pre-register.

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Arts

God's Favorite Provides Age-Old Comedy From Suffield Players

by Christine Plesyk
Advertiser News Staff

God's Favorite is the age-old biblical story of Job, updated with outrageous wit and panache by playwright Neil Simon back in 1974.

The Suffield Players, with John Howland as director, brought this two-act comedy to life in a cabaret-style performance that will run May 16th-17th and 22nd-23rd (the 16th is sold out) at Mapleton Hall in Suffield. Performances are at 8 p.m.

Roger Ochs, a 10-season veteran of this stage, is Job, a wealthy manufacturer of cardboard boxes who has an unwavering faith in God. He needs it, since his twin children are idiots, his wife is scatterbrained, and his oldest daughter is an irreverent drunk.

Into this life of luxury stumbles Sidney (Dick McCarty in a welcome return), a bespectacled messenger who delivers Job a message from God, a message that Job is indeed "God's Favorite." Thus begins the test of faith with Job as the pawn in a wager between the Good Lord and the Devil.

Even before Sidney leaves, Job can see the flames devouring his uninsured waterfront warehouse. As the food runs out, the heat goes off, the credit runs thin, the heirlooms of generations are gone, his family deserts him, and his health is a disaster, Job's faith never waivers.

Ochs makes a credible Job, running a gamut of emotion from incredulity to bemusement, from anger to anguish, yet never relinquishes his faith.

McCarty makes an equally credible Sidney in most scenes, but occasionally falls short of the energy this character should exude. His sparkling eyes, however, remain most expressive, telling more in a glance than through a dozen lines of dialogue.

Mark Proulx and Amy Heft Taglieri are the twins, Ben and Sarah, whose clumsiness is compounded by mental ineptness. As they bumble and stumble through scene after scene, they draw laughs and an unsettling feeling that in each of our lives rests a relative just like them.

Barbara Mabee is the mother, Rose, who in a lesser role plays the fragile, always cared for spouse whose obsession with family is matched by her obsession for her collection of expensive jewelry and furs.

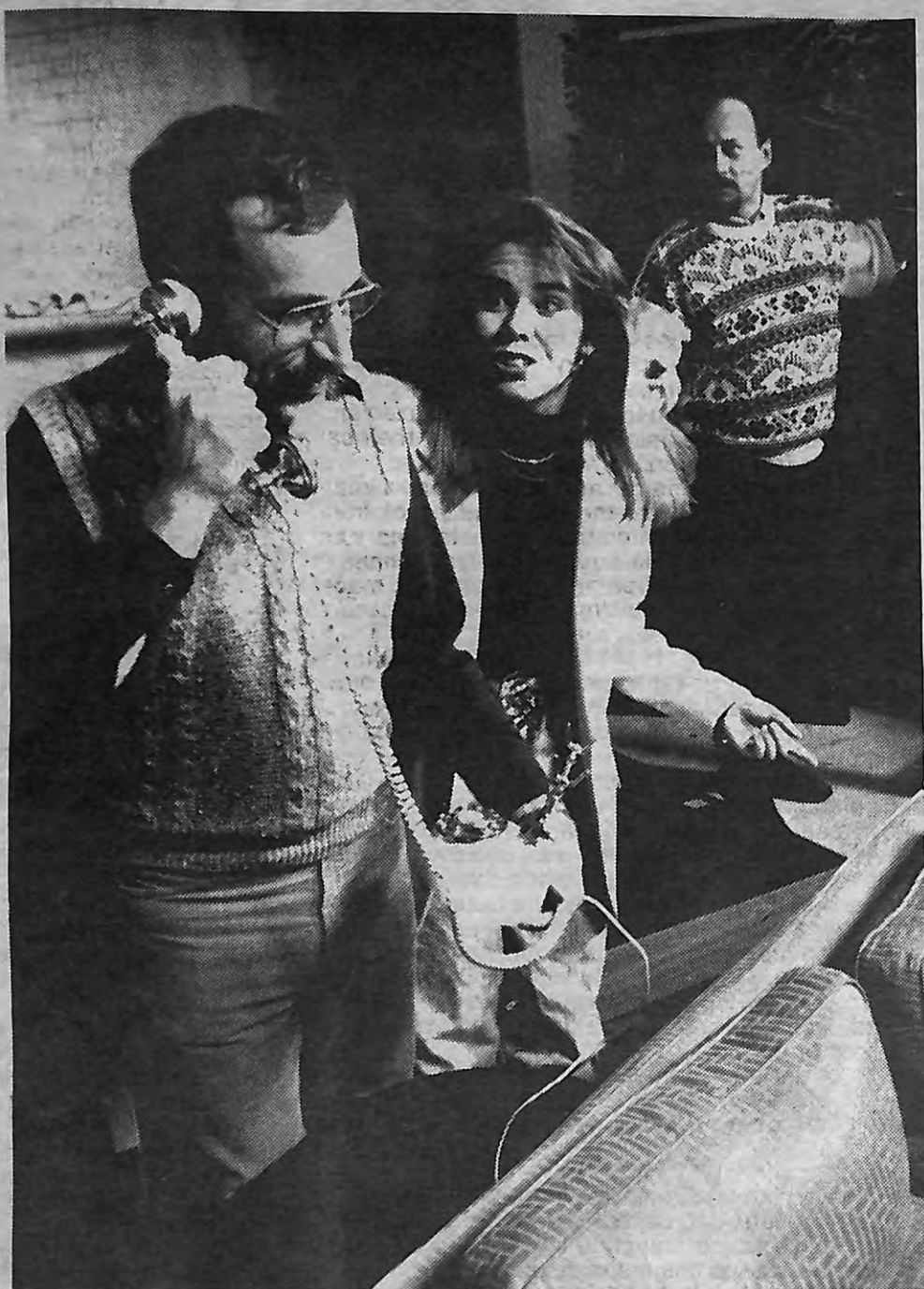
Stealing the show with her supporting role as the drunken daughter Diane was Karen Balaska, who moved with a fragile grace and lithesome style, stumbling and staggering under the influence and turning that around as she is blinded and later healed, in more ways than one.

Balaska was perhaps the most perfectly cast player in the show, with her vulnerability evident under the alcoholic mask.

Supporting players included Kathy Pickard as the maid Mady, in a small role played with a zest and energy that was missing in some other performers, and Evan Breitung as another servant, Morris.

While this production had the requisite number of laughs, of golden moments, it fell short of the out-and-out hilarity it could have had. The players move in and around each other but too often failed to connect with the spark and energy such a play requires.

God's Favorite, a la Suffield Players, their third show this season, came in only second best to earlier productions including *Dark Lady*.



MARK PROULX of Agawam and AMY HEFT TAGLIERI of Suffield and Roger Ochs of Vernon all anxiously await the response of their alarm company following a robbery in The Suffield Players' latest production, "*God's Favorite*," by Neil Simon. The production, at Mapleton Hall in Suffield, runs for four more performances - May 15th and 16th, and May 22nd and 23rd.

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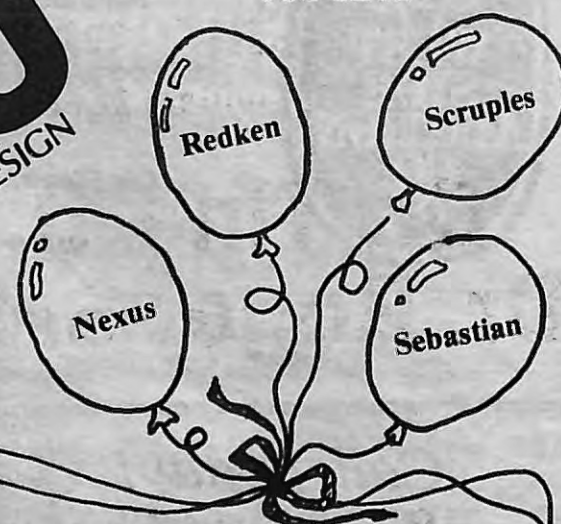
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by Edith LaFrancis
town historian

Fishing Source Of Much Food In Town

One of the most staple foods of the early settlers was fish. One hundred and fifty years ago every farmer felt it necessary to salt down two barrels of Lamprey eels and three barrels of shad and salmon, as well as large amounts of pork and beef. Fresh meat was a rare treat on any table.

When Spring brought warmer temperatures to the water, the shad came up the river in large numbers to spawn. A "run" might last but a few days and when it came every man headed for the river.

Besides those using hook and line, there were several commercial outfits which used nets and sold their catch to those less fortunate in getting a supply.

These nets were sometimes 200 ft. long, and wide enough to reach from the surface to the river bed. Trash which might endanger the net had to be cleaned out. Then the net was secured to the wheel on shore and to a pier in the river.

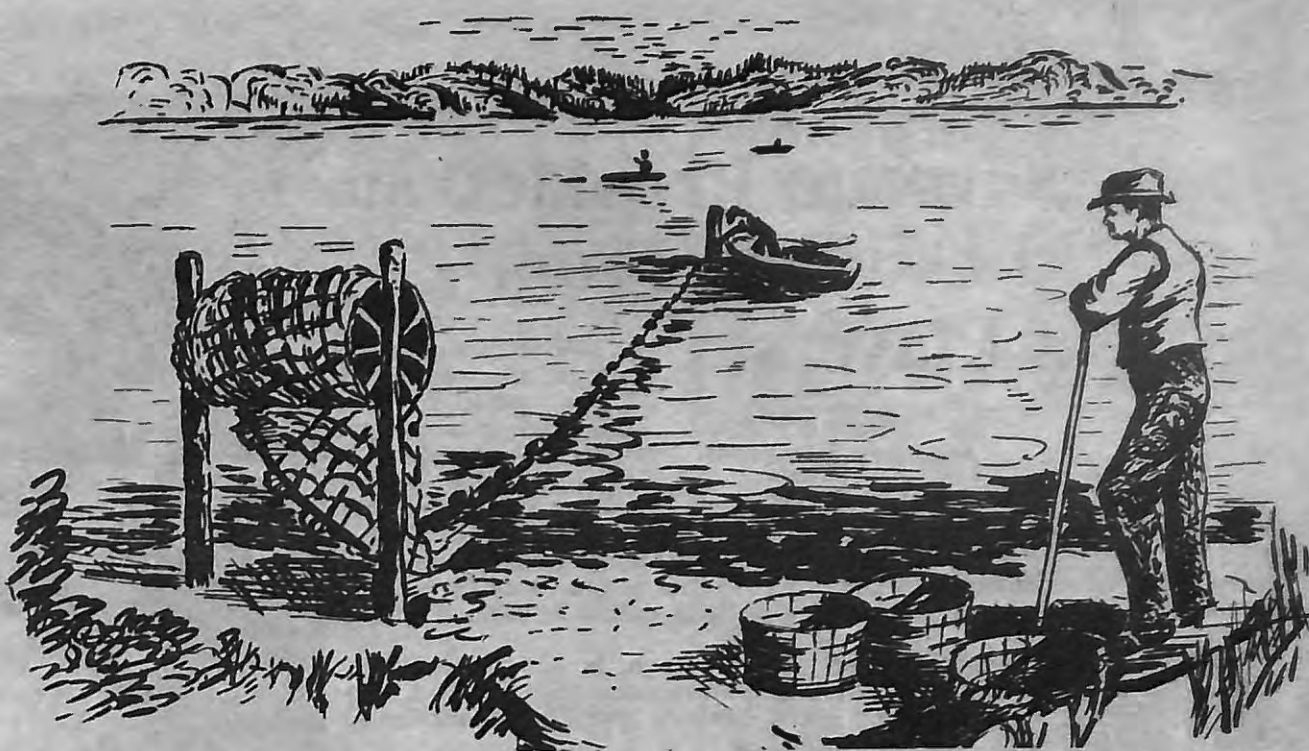
After a certain length of time, the outer end was drawn in a circle down stream and back to the shore, and gradually taken up until the fish could be scooped up into tubs. The wheel was used for winding and drying the net when not in use. Often the net had to be mended before it could be used the next time.

One of the most famous fishing places was at the end of Leonard Street, then a farm road called Perry Lane, where a wheel was in use until about 1875.

Of the two kinds of eels, the lampreys were considered better eating but the silver eels came first and the wise farmer caught a barrel of those just in case he missed the run of lampreys.

Runs of salmon began to decrease as soon as the first dam was built on the river, but the shad persisted and are now provided with "ladders" to by-pass these man-made obstacles.

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS AGO every farmer in this community felt it necessary to salt down two barrels of eels and three barrels of shad and salmon to enjoy at the dinner table.

Mayor Seeking Members To Serve On Agawam Arts & Humanities Council

The Agawam Arts & Humanities Council is comprised of volunteers appointed by the community's chief elected official, and is currently looking for new members. Any resident who is interested in joining the council should write to Mayor Christopher Johnson and express that desire.

The council maintains ties with local cultural organizations, individual artists, and humanists to assist them in planning projects that meet community needs. It works to see that the cultural projects funded by its allotment of arts lottery money benefit its community to the greatest possible extent.

Volunteer work on the part of the council members includes diligently reviewing grant ap-

plications in accordance with the state's guidelines which outline purposes, policies, and procedures.

Their support and dedication to the arts and humanities help bring to the community of Agawam the many varied cultural programs, such as the successful and ongoing First Friday Series, the summer concerts, the popular bus trips, and the Midwinter Night celebration.

The council meets the second Monday of the month at the Agawam Police Station.

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member and would like more information is welcome to attend the May 11th and/or June 15th meeting held in the community room of the Agawam Police Station at 7:00 p.m.

Junior Women Plan Crafts Festival In June

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is holding its 18th Annual Arts & Crafts Festival on June 13th and 14th on the grounds of Agawam High School. Admission is free. Crafters from all over New England will be selling their handcrafted items, such as quilts, jewelry, toys, furniture, dolls, and much more.

A craft corner with activities for children will be

staffed by club members. A food concession is also planned. Proceeds from the festival go to graduating high school seniors to assist them in their goals for higher education.

Last year the club raised over \$4,600 and are awarding \$4,800 to this year's graduating seniors. The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.



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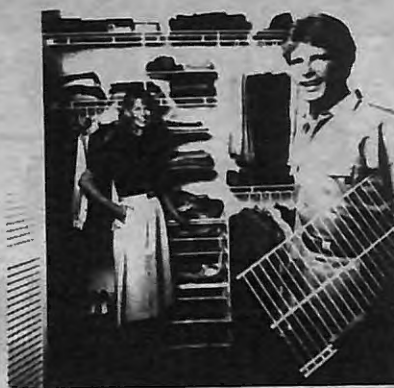
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Agawam Poet...

In Honor of Lisa

Our little town is in sadness today,
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She was kind and caring, in so many ways,
She taught children about God, and how to sing His praise;

The children and teachers liked her so much,
Working with the children, she had a very special touch;
Her teaching with patience and love for each child,
Kept everyone happy and busy and mild;

We're all praying for her parents' great sorrow,
We beseech the Lord to bring peace to their morrow;
She was everyone's friend, but God loved her best,
So, He took her to His home, in Heaven, for a rest;

It's such a beautiful place, with no sadness or sorrows,
She's so very happy with such sunny tomorrows;
She wants everyone in town to smile and be gay,
For she and the angels are always at play;

We'll never forget her loving ways,
She'll be in our hearts for all of the days.

WRITERS NOTE: This was written in honor and reverence for Lisa, with the hope it will be of some comfort to all who knew and loved her.

Agnes R. Neylon Smith

Bandtime Concert At AHS May 19th

The Annual Bandtime Concert, featuring all bands in the Agawam School System, will be held Tuesday, May 19th, in the Agawam High School gymnasium beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Bandtime is an opportunity for all bands, from the beginning Middle School groups, to the AHS Bands, to perform together, for the public and for each other. Each group will have the opportunity to perform a portion of the program that they have been working on during the school year.

The concert will close with a massed band performance.

The Middle School Bands, under the direction of Kenneth Longstreeth, will join the Junior High Band, under the direction of Tamara Watson, and the AHS Band, directed by Scott Thomson.

A small donation will be taken at the door.



THE FINAL CURTAIN CALL for STAGE's production of "Pinocchio" took place recently at the Red Door Theatre in Feeding Hills. STAGE is now accepting applications from young people who are interested in their Summer Theatre Camp programs. For more information, call (413) 569-0318 or (203) 668-0858.

STAGE Announces Its Summer Lineup

STAGE (Student Theatre Arts Group Enterprises) has announced its shows for their young people's summer theatre program.

Applications are now being accepted for the drama camps, which provide experiential training in the elements of theatre production, such as promotional activities, set building, costume construction and acting and rehearsing their parts for the show.

The summer will consist of:

STAGE I-Animal Crackers In My Soup, (Ages 5-10). June 22nd-26th, 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.; Showcase Friday, June 26th.

STAGE II-Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator, (Ages 7-15). June 29th, 30th, July 1st, 2nd, 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.; July 6th-10th, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Shows July 10th, 11th, 12th.

STAGE III-The Peach Boy, (Ages 7-15). July 14th-17th, 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.; July 20th-24th, 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.; Shows July 24th, 25th, 26th.

STAGE IV-Tip Of Oz, (Ages 7-15). August 11th-14th, 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.; August 17th-21st, 9:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m., Shows August 21st, 22nd, 23rd.

The camps are run by co-directors Lyle Pearsons of Suffield and Margie Secora of Southwick, also known for their entertaining as Kit & Kaboodle.

This is their fourth season of producing children's theatre and have presented over a dozen plays for young people in the Suffield/Southwick area.

Their new home at the Red Door Theatre on the campus of the Valley Community Church Performing Arts Center in Feeding Hills recently opened to sell-out audiences for their production of *Pinocchio* a couple of weeks ago.

This highly successful and popular theatre camp often has a waiting list and former students have a first renewal opportunity. Consequently, camps are very near capacity.

For more information and application forms, please call (413) 569-0318 or (203) 668-0858. Tickets for the shows will go on sale in June.

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Tips To Make Your Garden Grow... Weeds, Weeds, & More Weeds

Weeds, weeds, weeds. It seems no matter what you do, there's always one lurking beneath the ground, waiting for you to turn your back for just a moment so it can rear its ugly head between your carefully cultivated plants and flowers.

Weeds thrive anywhere there is ample sunlight and room to grow. Among dense vegetation like a healthy, well maintained lawn, for example, weeds have a hard time establishing roots.

However, in flower beds and other more open planting places, weeds set up housekeeping.

In the dark ages of lawn and garden care, people simply waited for weeds to appear, then got down on their hands and knees and pulled them out.

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by Christine Plesyk
Advertiser News Staff

—Far and Away

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In true epic fashion, the film is set against locations in Ireland, Boston, Appalachia (briefly), and the Oklahoma territories as America approaches the 20th century.

Tom Cruise stars as an Irish lad who (in true Scarlett O'Hara fashion) is in love with the land. It's a time of revolution in Ireland, with landowners living in luxury and seemingly ignorant of the toll that luxury takes on their countrymen.

With the death of his father, Cruise sets out for vengeance, and instead finds himself beaten and nursed back to health so he can be hanged.

Along comes a fiery Nicole Kidman as the landowner's daughter, who's about to run away from her family, an impending marriage, and a life in which she is a misfit—a redheaded wildcat whose flashing eyes hold a bit of Irish devilry along with a host of other emotions. In many scenes, she steals the show out from under Cruise.

Together, they flee Ireland only to find the streets of Boston aren't paved with the fabled gold and that the Irish in many areas are treated less than human.

As Kidman grows bedraggled and holds a miserly job plucking chickens in a warehouse, Cruise climbs to limited fame as a boxer and learns a little bit about "the good life."

All things come to an end, however, and theirs comes suddenly. Left on the streets, they wander homeless, ultimately breaking into a home to steal food. When Kidman is shot, Cruise returns her to the Boston townhouse her parents (who were driven out of Ireland by rioting farmers) have leased as they search for her.

Cruise heads out to build railroads, having given up his love and lost his desire for the land,

until he sees the endless lines of horsedrawn wagons heading west for the land rush in the Oklahoma territories.

As the love story unfolds, to a stunning vista played out on the prairie, the film retains its integrity, almost to the end. And that's the catch.

Howard has the viewer hooked, has hearts racing and mouths agape in the face of tragedy ... to say nothing of the "not a dry eye in the house" potential, and sacrifices the integrity of the film for a happy ending and a back-to-life expression that is ludicrous when suddenly juxtaposed against the drama of seconds before.

Throughout 99.9 percent of its two-hour-plus running time, *Far and Away* is a delight, with a fine performance by Cruise and a stunning one by Kidman and many of the film's supporting players.

Costuming, sets, and the John Williams score are all bonuses, and despite misgiving about the ending, I wouldn't hesitate to more than recommend this film as terrific viewing.

The only catch is that as in the greatest, most memorable film classics (*Dark Victory*, *Casablanca*, *The Ghost and Mrs. Muir*...) a few tears and heroic tragedy can go a long way.

—Criss Cross

Criss Cross is the newest Goldie Hawn film, preceding perhaps by just a month her comedy *Housesitter* with Steve Martin.

Criss Cross is the name of the film's protagonist, a 13 year-old boy with fantasies of reuniting his parents despite the fact that they have been divorced for three years.

As the story unfolds, Hawn evolves from barmaid to the better paying job of topless dancer, and has an affair with an undercover narcotics cop. And guess who's learned a little bit about selling drugs?

Criss Cross is a least common denominator kind of film, one that even Hawn seems to have cut herself off from. Viewers should, too.



ARNOLD WOODS and DEBORAH FLOYD in *Flight Lines* to be performed by Agawam Repertory Theatre at the CTA Drama Festival.

Agawam Repertory Performing In Theatre Contest

Agawam Repertory Theatre will perform the drama "Hopscotch" at the 16th Annual Community Theatre Association Drama Festival at the Moses Hall (the former StageWest site) on the Eastern States Exposition Grounds in West Springfield.

The Festival is a two-day event of competing community theatre groups, each being adjudicated for advancement to further performances on a regional and national level. Agawam Repertory Theatre's production will take place on Sunday, May 17th, at 4:30 p.m.

Other performances during the weekend will include: "The Odd Couple," "Flight Lines," "Steel Magnolias," and "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It To You." Tickets for any one play are \$3, with discounts to senior citizens, youth, and advance sale purchases.

The event is sponsored by the Community Theatre Association and is assisted with a grant from the West Springfield Arts Lottery Council. For information, call 567-2056 or 737-8474 (days).

Classified ads are \$10 for 30 words or less. Bring to the office or mail to Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030

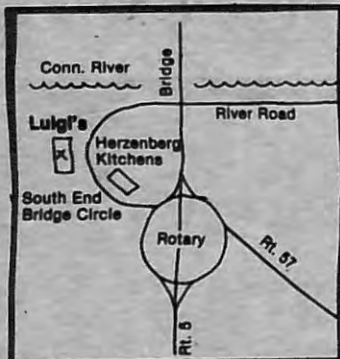
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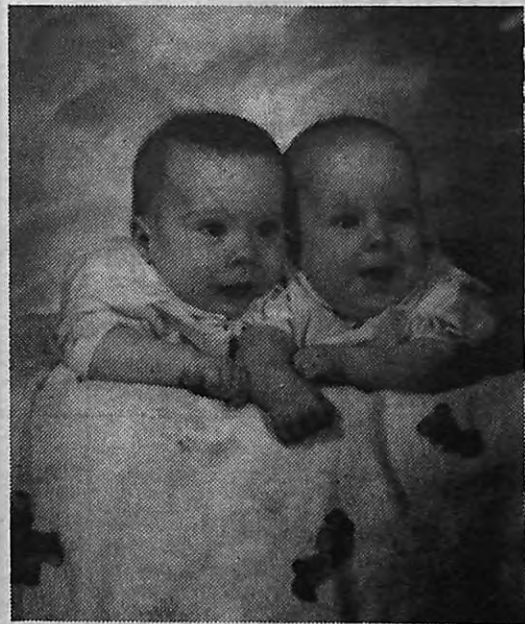
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- Salt to taste
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- ½ cup chopped green onions
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 3 cups hot cooked rice
- Flaked coconut, optional

- Drain pineapple, reserve ½ cup syrup.
- Cut chicken in bite-size pieces.
- Melt margarine in large skillet. Add garlic; saute 1 minute. Stir in curry powder and cook until frothy. Add chicken and salt. Cook over medium heat 5 minutes, or until chicken is no longer pink. Add cucumber and green onions. Cook 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in pineapple, lemon juice and reserved pineapple syrup.
- Mix cornstarch with 2 teaspoons water. Stir into chicken mixture and cook until thickened.
- Serve over rice. Top with coconut, if desired.
- Serves 6.

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- 3 green-tip, medium Dole Bananas, peeled
- 3 teaspoons margarine, divided
- 1 onion, halved, thinly sliced
- 2 large cloves garlic, pressed
- 1 tart apple, peeled, cored, chopped
- 1½ teaspoons curry powder
- 1½ teaspoons grated lemon peel
- 1 teaspoon each: ground ginger & coriander
- 1/8 teaspoon each: turmeric & ground red pepper
- 1 can (15 oz.) black eyed peas, drained
- 1 can (15 oz.) kidney beans, undrained
- ½ cup Dole Raisins
- 1 cup nonfat yogurt
- 3 warm hard-cooked eggs, halved
- 3 cups hot cooked rice
- 6 Dole Radishes, thinly sliced
- 3 Dole Green Onions, thinly sliced
- ½ cup chopped cilantro
- ¼ cup chopped peanuts

• Cut bananas in half crosswise, then lengthwise to make 12 pieces. Saute in nonstick skillet with 2 teaspoons margarine until lightly browned. Remove to plate.

• Add 1 teaspoon margarine to skillet. Saute onion, garlic, and apple until soft.

• Combine curry powder, lemon peel, ginger, coriander, turmeric, and red pepper. Stir into onion mixture.

• Add black eyed peas, undrained kidney beans, and raisins. Cover; simmer 5 minutes. Remove from heat, stir in yogurt.

• Place egg halves on rice. Surround with sauteed bananas. Spoon curry over. Top with radishes, green onion, cilantro, and peanuts.

• Serves 6.
Per serving: 406 calories, 16 g protein, 9 g fat (2 g sat.), 68 g carbohydrate, 477 mg sodium, 138 mg cholesterol.

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CTA Drama Festival On Big E Grounds

The Community Theatre Association has set up four box office sites for pre-sale tickets to the 16th Annual CTA Drama Festival.

The event will take place on May 16th and 17th at the Moses Auditorium on the Big E Grounds in West Springfield. It is two days of round-the-clock theatre.

The four ticket sites to purchase discounted tickets are: Irene's Closet in Agawam, The Book Rack in West Springfield, Odyssey Bookstore in South Hadley, and Jones Library in Amherst.

Tickets are normally \$3 per play and \$18 for the entire weekend of seven plays. Pre-sale tickets are \$2.50 per play and \$16 for the weekend pass.

Also, senior citizens, youth, and West Springfield residents will receive a 50% discount per play whether purchased in advance or on-site.

Tickets for all shows will also be available at the box office in the Moses Auditorium throughout the weekend. West Springfield senior citizens with proof of age and residency will be admitted free through a grant from the West Springfield Arts Lottery Council.

Some of the plays in the Festival include: *The Odd Couple*, *Flight Lines*, *Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All To You*, and *Steel Magnolias*.

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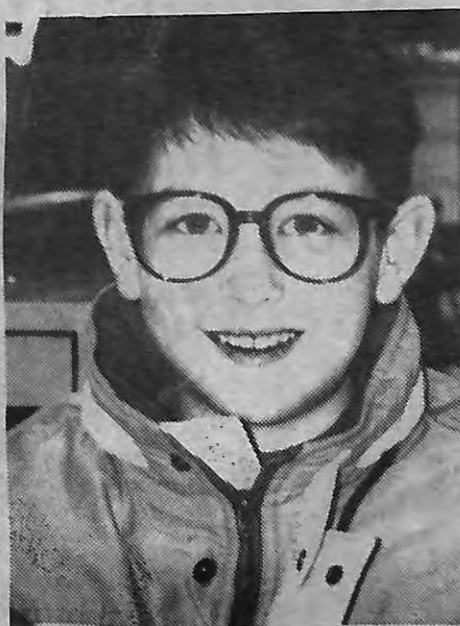
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AGAWAM HIGH Theatre Group members rehearse a scene from *Uncommon Women and Others*, which will be staged on May 21st. Back row from left - Jen LaPierre and Jen Nardi; Front row - Sherry Tetreault, Heather Feuerbach, and Jillian Ofcarcik. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AHS THEATRE GROUP members rehearsing for the upcoming production *Uncommon Women and Others* are Karen Schneider (back); Sherry Cheatham, Julie Milici, and Laura Bielitz (middle row); and Tanya Marzano and Tara Delskey (front row). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam High School Theatre Group To Stage *Uncommon Women and Others*

by Irls Copson
School Department Editor

The Agawam High School Theatre Group will present Wendy Wasserstein's *Uncommon Women and Others* on stage Thursday, May 21st, in the high school auditorium.

The play will have a 7:30 p.m. curtain and the charge will be \$3 per person, according to faculty advisor Margo Poulin. The characters, in order of appearance, are: Katie Quinn (played by student Sherry Tetreault), Samantha Stewart (Jillian Ofcarcik), Muffet DiNicola (Jennifer LaPierre), Holly Kaplann (Heather Feuerbach), and Rita Altabel (Jennifer Nardi).

Sherry Tetreault told us, "The story is about eight college women and their dorm mother. As the play opens, the first five characters are thinking back to their senior college year and the action flashes back to the college."

At the college, we meet the other four characters: Mrs. Plumm, the dorm mother faithful to her alma mater, played by Karen Schneider; Susie Friend, played by Tanya Marzano; a catatonic drug-user named Carter, portrayed by Julie Milici; and Leilah, played by Tara Delskey.

Tanya Delskey noted, "Each woman is very different and each is unique in her own special way." Jen Nardi added, "We are under very good direction with Mrs. Poulin and (AHS senior) Lisa Dialessi."

The presentation includes narrators Sherry Cheatham and Laura Bielitz depicting men's voices. Tara noted, "They help to describe the women's placement in society and how women

have become more important, earned more respect, and are more professional."

She added, "All the characters are worried about their futures, except Holly, who is going to school for the rest of her life."

Heather (Holly) explained that her character's father invented velveteen and she is wealthy. She "drifted into college with no specific goals in her life." Heather and Jen Nardi's role as Rita are "more radical." Jen said, "Rita is angry at the world, and more specifically, at men. She wants to be a novelist and best every man she comes in contact with."

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Wednesday, May 20th: Steamed frank in roll, oven baked beans, potato puffs with catsup, chilled fruit cup or jello with topping, milk.

Thursday, May 21st: Oven roast turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, seasoned peas & carrots, wheat bread & butter, chocolate cake with vanilla icing, milk.

Friday, May 22nd: Grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, seasoned green beans, cinnamon apple-sauce, ice cream, milk.

(NOTE: Please remember to purchase your tickets on Mondays for the week. Personal checks are accepted, payable to the **Agawam School Lunch**.)

Kerry Rousseau On AIC Awards List

Students and their family members, faculty and administrators gathered at the Esther B. Griswold Theatre for the Performing Arts at American International College, in Springfield, for the annual co-curricular awards ceremony.

The event took place Thursday night, April 24th.

The awards were presented to the students who contributed to the College through their involvement in extra-curricular activities such as sports, student government, and the student media.

Kerry Rousseau of 97 Fordham Avenue, Feeding Hills received an Outstanding Junior Award.

She is a dean's list student. Rousseau is an academic tutor; disc jockey for WAIC, the College's radio station; president of the women's organization; vice president of the marketing club; coordinator of lecture on date rape; activities coordinator for Alpha Iota Gamma sorority; and a member of Alpha Chi honor society; Golden Key Society; Model Congress staff; recycling committee and The Yellow Jacket, AIC's student newspaper.

Rousseau, a business studies major, is the daughter of Robert Rousseau.

Band Parents Pushing Photo Contest



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Band Parents Mary Anne Drobot, Janet Parslow, and Dee Ziegert were pushing the Band's "Townwide Photo Contest" at the Band's Pancake Breakfast on April 12th at the Agawam Middle School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Two AHS Graduates On WNEC Honors List

Denise Landry of Agawam, and Christian Quatrone and Carl Vivenzio of Feeding Hills, were named to the Western New England College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta at an induction ceremony last month.

Alpha Lambda Delta is a national honor society which recognizes men and women who have achieved academic distinction in their freshman year. Acceptance requires students to have a minimum grade point average of 3.5.

Landry, the daughter of Gerald and Theresa Landry, is majoring in Accounting; Quatrone, the son of Ronald and Nancy Quatrone, is majoring in Government; and Vivenzio, the son of Valentino and Barbara Vivenzio, is majoring in General Business.

Western New England College is a private coeducational institution located on a 120-acre suburban campus in Springfield, MA. The College serves more than 6,100 full-time and part-time students with undergraduate and graduate programs in its School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Engineering, and School of Law.

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Jillian is cast in the part of Samantha as "an uprooted southern bell who wants to find a husband." Jill added, "The play depicts actual life in a girl's college dorm."

Jen LaPierre said her character (Muffet) "wants to find her prince" and Sherry (Katie) is attending college for law school.

Sherry said, "This is a great play for young adults. It is a light-hearted comedy with a little drama thrown in."

An example of the comic relief was illustrated with the dialogue relating the thoughts that "all men should menstruate and experience other womb-related items."

Tanya's character (Susie Friend) seems to link all the aspects of womanhood's distinction. She is on all the committees and is majoring in psychology. "She is the cheerleader-type," said Tanya.

Mrs. Poulin concluded, "The friendships throughout this play will draw the audience into our own memories and friendships."

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AHS Occupation Day Slated For May 19th In School's Gym

by Iris Copson
School Department Editor

Agawam High School Guidance Department Coordinator Paul Cavallo presented the School Committee with plans for this year's Occupational Interview Day, Tuesday, May 19th, from 7:45 a.m. to 10:50 a.m., as the Career Program will be running in the form of an informational fair.

In collaboration with the Agawam Rotary Club, Agawam Chamber of Commerce, and Springfield Technical Community College, AHS will present a fair to focus in "not only on students planning to attend a four-year college, but on technologies and health professions," according to Cavallo.

"The decade of the '90s has many occupations in the forefront that require two-year degrees, rather than four-year degrees. A school like S.T.C.C. has 25 programs in the allied health and technologies that we feel we should be addressing as counselors and professionals. We must realize that not everyone can become a doctor or lawyer, and there are many other professions just as important," said Cavallo.

The day will begin with a keynote speaker for all four grades at the Agawam High School. Students in grades nine through 12 will meet Jim Scriber, president of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce, followed by S.T.C.C. President Andrew Scibelli.

After the assembly, 11th graders will proceed to the gymnasium where approximately 50 occupations will be represented by knowledgeable people and "the tools of their trade."

"In particular for the technologies, we will have laser presentations and other eye-catching displays to attract the students," said Cavallo.

Each display will have written information and most will have visuals at the fair for the juniors at AHS. "We hope to excite and motivate students," said Cavallo.

After students have visited the gymnasium, juniors will then go to either the cafeteria or the auditorium to have "mock interviews" by some of the students "who can portray an interview and work with the personnel officer." The observing students will then be able to comment and criticize their peers and actually see what takes place, he said.

Cavallo added, "While the juniors are in their second phase (interviews), we will then have the sophomores come down to the gymnasium at the fair." Due to time constraints, sophomores will not be able to participate in the 'mock interview

Phelps Problem Solvers In State Competition



THESE GRADE FOUR STUDENTS from Phelps School participated in the state competition of the Mass. Future Problem Solving Program held at MIT on May 2nd. The invitation to the event was based upon their outstanding written performance at the regional competition and included many hours of preparation beyond school time. Students pictured with faculty advisor Ann Bradford are Amanda Bessette, Elizabeth Cowan, Alisha Pisano, and Kaitlin White. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

program' this year, but they will be involved the following year.

At the conclusion of the program, AHS is hoping to culminate the presentation to sophomores and juniors by having former U.S. Olympic Gold Medalist Tim Daggett, author of the newly published inspirational book *Dare To Dream*,

speak to the students.

"If this goes as planned, we are hoping Tim Daggett, who is a dynamic speaker, will motivate students and get them interested in some of the things they saw," concluded Cavallo.

"We hope we can light a fire, or kindle a spark," he added.

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The girls have been excited about the spring weather. They had a neighborhood hike to look for signs of spring. Their recent activities also included some crafts at a ceramic shop for Easter and Mother's Day.

We are also awaiting a visit from Julie Planley, who will teach us some sign language. A trip to Westover Air Force Base is now being organized to visit the C-5-A's.

The girls will close their year by planning and having a family picnic where we will have our bridging ceremony.

Junior Troop 548

At a recent meeting of Junior Troop 548 at St. Theresa's Parish Center, the girls and leaders celebrated the 80th birthday of Girl Scouting by re-enacting a Juliette Low Tea.

The "feast" for the event consisted of cucumber and watercress sandwiches made with homemade bread, shortbread cookies, and tea served in china cups and saucers. There were even cloth napkins and tablecloths. (Rumor had it that Mrs. Manning had been ironing for 10 days!)

A video on city government in Massachusetts was shown and discussed. After all, we are proud of the fact that all 16 girls in Troop 548 are actively pursuing the first Agawam Government Badge and related activities.

The girls then spent time listening to City Councilor Jesse Fuller tell of her days as a girl scout. She also discussed the ways in which life has changed in Agawam "since she was a girl."

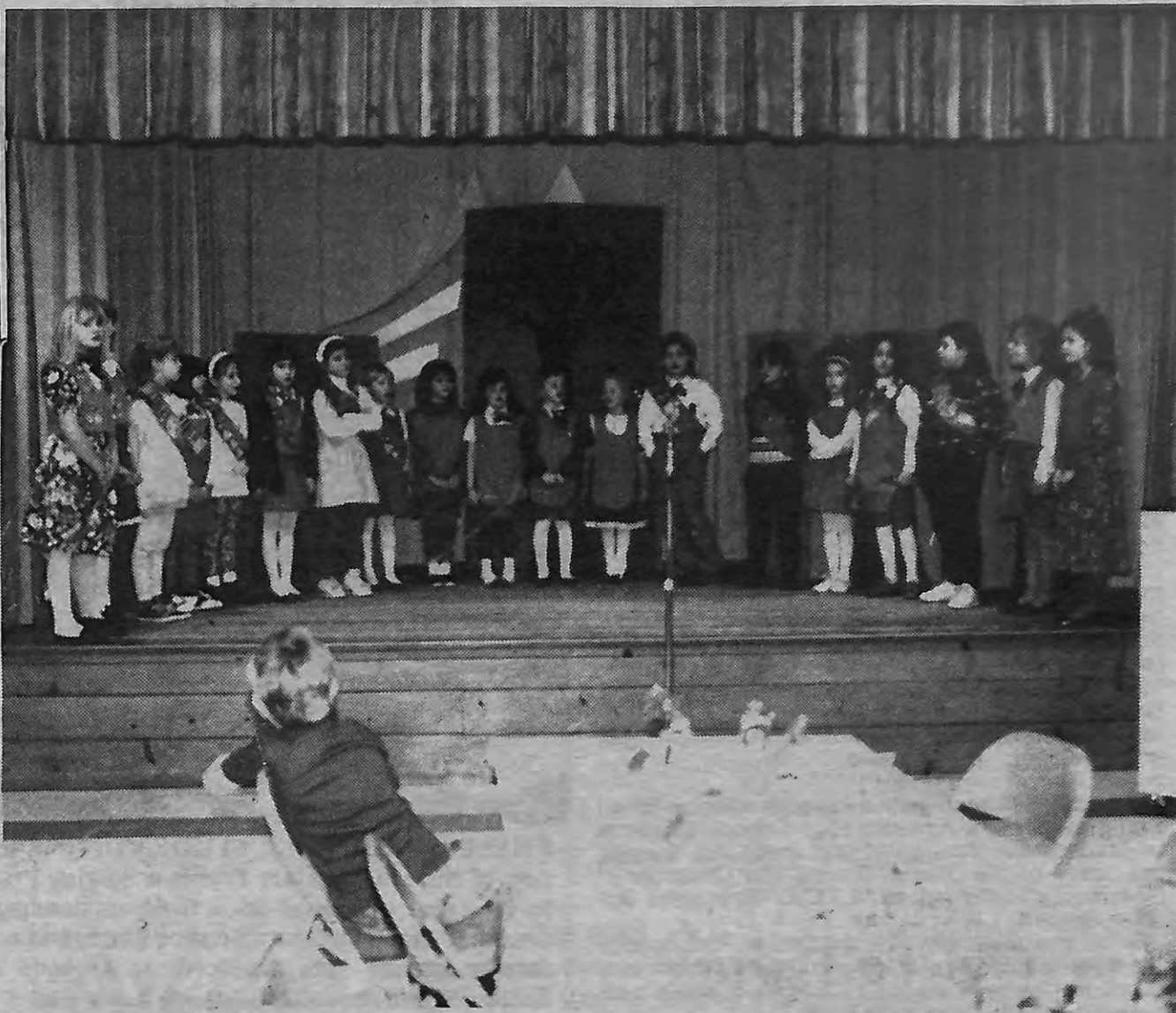
The following girls were present at the meeting and send their thanks and love to "Scout" Fuller: Courtney Rullman, Mary Manning, Jessica Tudryn, Crystal Rivers, Michelle Bitgood, Courtney Hamel, Jessica Montagna, Debra Bolsson-neault, Karen Whitney, Jennifer Stacy, Martha Manning, and Melissa Bolsson-neault.

Thanks also from leaders Helen Manning, Ruth Brames, and Linda Montagna.

Our cookie sale has ended and what a SUCCESS it was! A total of over 2,000 cases were sold by Agawam Girl Scouts. We thank everyone who contributed and worked hard for this annual event. Without your help, it could not have been possible!

We would like to take this time to acknowledge our cookie parents for their time and help for making our sale possible:

Linda Grace, Troop 524; Jerry Chretien, 539; Laurel Cawley, 541; Ann Jackobek, 542; Monica Gaffney, 543; Chris Morris, 544; Rosemary Kratovil, 545; Barbara Brizzolari, 546; Doreen Gildersleeve, 547; Linda Montagna, 548; Jody Baum, 549; Brenda Koehler, 550.



LOCAL SCOUTS perform a skit for Valentine's Day in February.

Also, Judy Cini, 551; Donna Sullivan, 552; Sue Corbin, 553; Karen Butova, 554; Leslie Young, 556; Gary Tampone, 558; Debbie Reynolds, 559; Mary Beth Sheehan, 560; Liz Planzo, 561; Pat Sussman, 562; Tammi Miranda, 564; Mary Isabelle, 565; and Lisa Cook, 566.

The following poem was written by Daisy Troop 540 from Granger School. What a wonderful job they did!

*We like Daisies
We really think it's fun.
We meet on Monday afternoons
Come rain or snow or sun.*

*Megan likes to play the games
Like pumpkin-pumpkin-ghost.
And being helpful to her friends
Is what Gen likes the most.*

*Gina liked to make the pinata
And Erika liked to break it.
But when Katie stepped up and swung the bat
The pinata couldn't take it!*

*Katie also enjoys the games
Like "Guess what's in the box."
And all the girls enjoy the time
We stop to share and talk.*

*The Noble Duke of York
Is Amy's favorite song.
She taught it to her sister
So now Julie sings along!*

*And Katie R likes that song too
The silly songs are best.
Our other Amy likes to paint
And helps clean up the mess.*

*Tami likes to make new friends
And share them with her old.
As we all know from Girl Scout days,
The old are good as gold.*

*And Debbie and Joan have the most fun of all,
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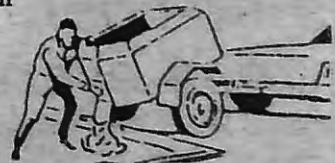
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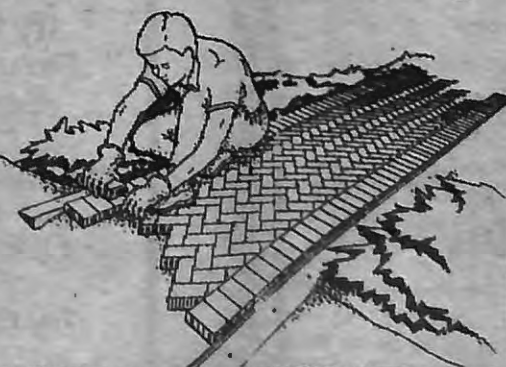
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Ag. Middle School Guidance News

by Thomas F. Dacey
Middle School Guidance Counselor

The co-ed intramural softball program is now underway at the Middle School. Competition is between homerooms at both the fifth and sixth grade levels. The students enjoy playing on their homeroom team, and the program helps to foster pride in their homeroom group. The games will continue into June when playoffs will determine the championship team from each grade.

At this time of year, parents should be aware that the students at the Middle School are reaching the midpoint of the final marking period. Special reports indicating poor academic achievement and other problems will be issued on or about May 15th.

Parents are always welcome to call the guidance office if any problems arise. Experience has shown that when parents and the school work together, the students are much more likely to be successful.

There is still time for most students to achieve academic success and to be promoted to the next grade. Parents are urged to monitor their child's progress carefully and to make sure that all assignments are fully completed and handed in on time.

Local Youth Ready For Trip To Europe

Operation Friendship's travel season is almost here.

Nine young people from Feeding Hills and Agawam have been assigned an overseas family to spend three weeks with this summer.

Four of our young people will be traveling to Scotland, some to the same families that visited with us last summer.

Going to Edinburgh are Sean Rose, Jesse Mueller, Amyanne Tyrell and Todd Zern. Ray Drewnoski, Christine Mineo and Amy Prochaska will be traveling to Weiden, Germany, Jen Pisano to Cockermouth, England and Michael Fisher to Thorner, England.

Thanks to the support of the community and the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, Operation Friendship was again able to raise the entire traveling fee for each of our young travelers.

Operation Friendship is looking for new families and will be having an information night on Sunday, May 17th at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church at 7:00 p.m.

Come and find out what we're all about, or call Kathy Rose at 786-0195.

AHS Class Of 1992 Slates Car Wash

The Agawam High School Class of 1992 will hold a benefit Car Wash on Saturday, May 16th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills.

This Car Wash is being held in lieu of the May 9th Car Wash, which was cancelled. All tickets from the May 9th Car Wash will be honored on Saturday, May 16th.

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AHS Guidance Office Programming For Fall

Students at Agawam High School in grades nine, 10, and 11 are being programmed for their course of study for the 1992-93 school year. The Guidance Staff is checking each student's program for possible errors and will see those students whose programs appear to be incorrect.

Each student has been given a copy of his schedule for his/her parent's examination. If there are any questions about course selections, please call the Guidance Office at 789-1400, extension 418 and ask to speak to your child's guidance counselor.

Development Screening At Clark School

The Agawam Public Schools and Westfield Infant Toddler will offer a free developmental screening in growth and development, fine and gross motor, speech and language, and cognition for children ages newborn through four years of age, at James Clark School, 65 Oxford Street, Agawam, on Thursday, May 28th, 1992 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., by appointment only.

To make an appointment, please call special services at 789-1400, extension 442, between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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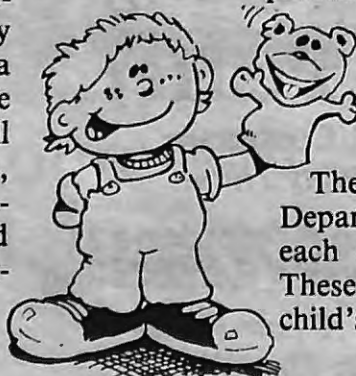
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What To Bring

Your child should come to camp every day with a bagged lunch (refrigeration is available - no lunch boxes please), a bathing suit, and towel. Everything should be marked with the camper's full name. A beverage and nutritious snack is provided by the camp.

Important

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health requires for each child to submit a medical form. These forms are required prior to your child's attendance.

Call 786-1460 For More Information

"Just For A Moment" Theme Of '92 Prom For Agawam High

by Iris Copson
School Department Editor

The love theme from *St. Elmo's Fire* lit the ballroom of Chez Josef "Just For A Moment" on April 23rd for the Agawam High School Junior-Senior Prom.

The reception line greeted 411 attendees that filtered into the Grand Ballroom decorated in the prom colors of black, red, white and gold. Prom Advisor Geraldine Schilling-Nordal and her husband, Reidar Nordal, joined invited guests Mayor Christopher Johnson and his fiancée, Anna Pillero, AHS Vice Principal David Bates and his wife, Mary, Senior Class Advisor Dean Vecchiarelli and his fiancée, Michelle Boellau and Junior Class Advisor Steven Shultis and his wife Cheryl, to welcome students.

Theme colors as well as attire seemed more formal this year than in the past few proms. All the young men escorted their dates in black tuxedos and white shirts, with accents of color to match the young lady's gown only in ties, cummerbunds and a few vests. Bates said, "I think it really looks nice; it sets off the girls' dresses."

The dresses, or gowns, were predominantly darker, vivid colors with many donning sequence and sparkles to enhance the fitted lines. Many of the strapless gowns hinted of a Spanish flavor, and pastels were a rarity.

After the menu of fruit sherbert, salad and a choice of chicken cordon bleu, baked stuffed shrimp or roast prime rib of beef was served, an old tradition was reinstituted. Students paraded before the staff of waiters and waitresses who selected a Prom King, Queen and Court.

Kerri Carlitj was selected as the 1992 Prom Queen and members of her Court were: Andrea Parent, Tara Delskey, Christine Hatzipetro, Jovita Carrasco, Denise Spanillo and Quan Ly. The Prom King chosen was Tony Santore. The King and Queen were crowned amidst a throng of supporters cheering for them.

The crowns were donated by New England Silk and Wicker, Inc. of Westfield. Both the King and Queen were awarded \$25 mall gift certificates, and the six ladies of the Court were each given \$15 certificates.

This year's disc jockey, Rocco Productions, video-taped the entire evening and AHS teacher and photographer David Pulaski captured a formal photograph for couples. D.J. Rocco added to the festive atmosphere with a fog machine, and couples displayed some fancy moves on the dance floor.

For the first time ever, the United States Amateur Ballroom Dancer's Association sponsored a dance contest. In preparation for the upcoming event, students received free instruction from Nicki Saulnier and Bob Burby of Arthur Murray's Dance Studios in Springfield during physical education classes in the weeks prior to the Prom.

Diane Sala, representative of the U.S.A.B.D.A., said, "99% of us are volunteers. It's just a matter of using our talents to promote ballroom dancing. We gave free lessons at the high school during gym, and some of the more serious students came back after school."

Student Tim Rapa added, "You could really learn a few steps, and it was fun."

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LOOKING FORWARD TO THE BIG NIGHT at Chez Josef for the 1992 Agawam High Prom are, from left - Kris Tuerlinckx and Sandi Angotti; Florence Laly and Thomas Wlaschiha; and Marcie Lehman and Matt Papadakis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AT THE AHS PROM '92, from left - Jon-Paul Rodier and Patricia Brach; Jen Lomelino and Kyle Torsiello; and Kim Roscoe and Rick Henry. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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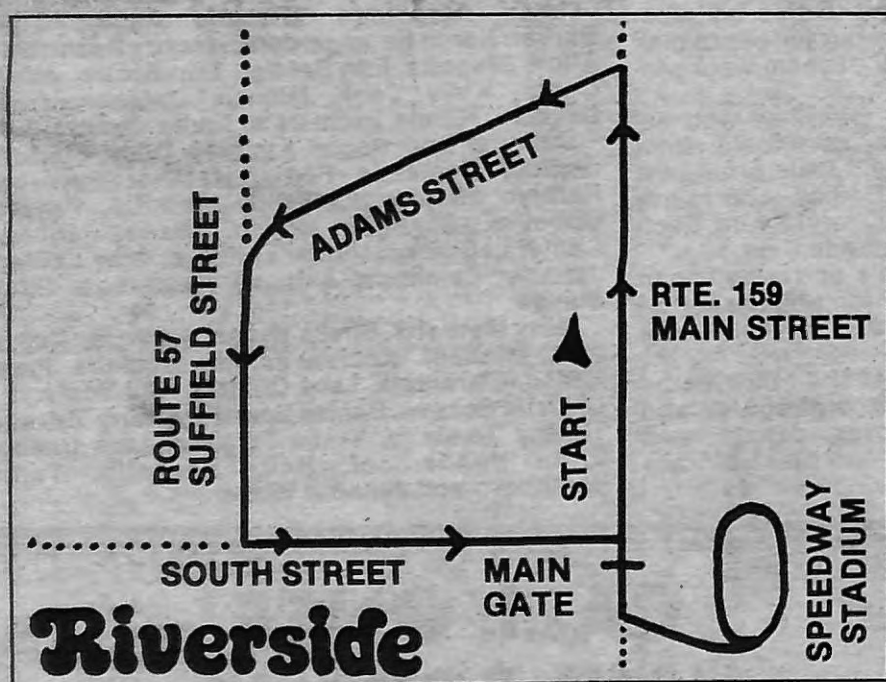
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MAYOR CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON and DIANE SAIA of Longmeadow were two of the judges for the Dance Contest at the AHS Prom. The two winners were Mike Leary and Leslie Gorman; IN PHOTO BELOW, Kenny Blake and Michelle Belliview won second place in dance and Mike Leary and Leslie Gorman are still beaming about winning first place.



THE AHS PROM King and Queen for 1992 were Kerri Caritj and Tony Santore.

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Judges for the dance contest included Mayor Johnson, Mrs. Schilling Nordal; Mrs. Saia, Ms. Saulnier and Burby. Trophies donated by U.S.A.B.D.A. were awarded to the first place couple, Mike Leary and Leslie Gorman, by the Mayor and Mrs. Sala of Longmeadow for the "1992 AHS Dance Competition Champions."

Mrs. Saia noted, "The talent in this ballroom was evident. It was difficult for our judges to pick the dance contest winners. All of them were winners."

Kenny Blake and Michelle Belliview won second place and received a certificate from Bruno's Pizza for "pizza for four." Third prize went to Nick Langone and Serena Barber, with fourth place going to Bill Pisano and Cheryl Smith. Each will receive day passes to Riverside Park.

As the flame of the evening's activities began to dwindle onto the stroke of midnight, the last of the limousines escorted couples to their home destinations.

Each carried a copy of the momentos distributed, listing all the highlights and acknowledgements. The cover design was created by Melissa Benerakis and class officers were listed as follows:

1991-92 Senior Class Officers: President, Ben Ferris; Vice President, Tony Magnacca; Treasurer, Amy LaPlante; Secretary, Erica Vanderhoof.

Junior Class Officers: President, Steve Lewis, Vice President, Beth McNamee; Treasurer, Laura Bielitz; Secretary, Kim Trudel.

Congratulations to the Prom Committee for a job well done.

Lynn Agradides, Michelle Auger, Serena Barber, Karen Baumgardner, Nancy Bazanchuck, Alicia Biagette, Erin Bradley, Erin Brown, Joy Ann Conte, Kelly Cook, Michele Daigneault, Tara Delskey, Nicole Desmarais, Addie Dimare.

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Agawam AFS is a member of AFS International with its international headquarters based in New York. The AFS New England Office is conveniently located in downtown Springfield. AFS is the largest student exchange organization in the entire world.

Currently, Agawam AFS is sponsoring Erica Fisher, a 1991 graduate of AHS, on a one-year exchange to Denmark.

Agawam AFS, through a community group of volunteers and a full-time faculty advisor at Agawam High School, provides a wide range of support for the students and their host families.

Agawam AFS is also hosting, for the first time, an exchange teacher on the January to July program. The teacher, from Argentina, is living with an Agawam family and team-teaching at Agawam High School.

To become a host family for the 1992-93 academic year, or to receive more information, contact Agawam AFS Chapter members Ric Sardella (786-7747, days; 789-2005, evenings), or Al Machia, 786-0114 (evenings).

AFS Student Receives Visit From Parents



AMERICAN INTERCULTURAL PROGRAM student Kris Tuerlinckx, a senior at Agawam High School, received a brief visit from his Belgian parents, Albert and Rachael Tuerlinckx, who were visiting relatives in New Jersey. Kris is staying with the Lacienski family of Feeding Hills. The group enjoyed a get-together at Old Storowton Tavern. From left - Dan & Lee Lacienski; Kris (standing) and Anne Lacienski; and Rachael & Albert. Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

Ag. Girl Scouts Help Kelli Lawrence Named With Flower Plantings To Honor Society

Pioneer Valley Girl Scout troop members from Springfield and Agawam, as well as volunteers from the Springfield Parks Department, Springfield Central, and the Telephone Pioneers of America, will begin planting annuals and perennials at Stearns Square in downtown Springfield on Sunday, May 17th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., as part of a three-year service project to beautify the park under the "Girl Scouts Care for the Earth" adopt-a-park program.

Members of Junior Girl Scout Troops 381, 565, 1001, 1002, 1003, and 1004 will plant flowers in the park donated by the Springfield Farmer's market. Financial support for the project has been provided by New England Telephone Company.

To ensure that the project will be successful, the Springfield Parks Department has prepared the flower beds, repaired the underground irrigation system and fountain, moved the rose bushes, and removed the graffiti from the granite bench. By the end of May, granite bollards will be installed on the west side of the park to prevent damage to the irrigation system by automobiles.

Salve Regina University, located in Newport, Rhode Island, inducted 62 new members—including Kelli Lawrence of Agawam—into Sigma Phi Sigma, the National Mercy Honor Society.

These outstanding students were selected for membership in the honor society based on scholastic achievement, fidelity, and dedicated service to the University. Nominees were inducted at a special ceremony held during Parent Weekend on Saturday, April 25th, in Ochre Court.

Sigma Phi Sigma members, in addition to their service to the University, extend a gracious commitment to the Rhode Island community.

Highlighting Sigma Phi Sigma events this past academic year was the successful Newport Feed-A-Friend Weekend, in which Sigma Phi Sigma students and University volunteers collected over 30,000 food items for Aquidneck Island food banks.

Best Local News

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Junior Women's Club Awards Essay Winners

The Agawam Junior Women's Club would like to thank all those who submitted entries for the "MY FAVORITE PERSON" essay contest.

Two-hundred and 37 entries were received for the contest, which was open to all middle school students. Essays were required to be one to two pages, about someone personally known to the student, and were judged on creativity, originality, legibility, and content.

The winners are as follows:

* 1st Place - **Kristen Pisano**, 5th grade
 * 2nd Place - **Martha Manning**, 5th grade
 * 3rd Place - **Patty Zerra**, 5th grade
 * 4th Place - **Michele Ingalls**, 6th grade
 Honorable Mention - **Michael Eddy**, 6th grade;
Norman Gagne, 6th grade; **Erik Sunny**, 5th grade;
 and **Jennifer Zerra**, 6th grade.

Kristen Pisano and Martha Manning, the first- and second-place winners, both chose to write about their mothers. The third- and fourth-place winners, Patty Zerra, and Michele Ingalls, each wrote about a favorite teacher; Mrs. O'Keefe and Mrs. Childs, respectively.

Each of the top four winners received a \$50 savings bond and an additional prize (selected by the student) as follows: 1st place - Trivial Pursuit for Jrs. game; 2nd place - a Nintendo game cartridge; 3rd place - a one-day pass to Riverside Park; and 4th place - Trivial Pursuit for Jrs. game.

The four Honorable Mentions received mugs filled with candy and pencils.

The Junior Women's Club would like to thank the following for donations: Wee Play/Silhouette Silk Screen, Baybank, Unico, and SIS for savings bonds, and Heritage Bank for mugs.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

For the enjoyment of the readers of *The Agawam Advertiser news*, the four award-winning essays are now reprinted in their entirety.

* 1st place - Kristen Pisano, 5th grade "My Favorite Person"

My favorite person is my mother. She is very trustworthy and I know I can always count on her. Whenever I have a problem she can help me solve it. My mother gives me good advice. When I really stop and think about it I am very lucky I have a mother who loves me. I like her because she really cares about me. And if I am sad she knows how to cheer me up. When I get lonely she keeps me company. She makes me smile and laugh. She is a very important part of my life. My mother is even my best friend. Special, loving, caring, unique, and great are some of the many words that

describe why she is my favorite person. We have spent many good times and bad times together which I will never forget. My mother is easy to get along with, and a lot of fun. I really think she is doing a wonderful job at being my mother. She does a lot of things for me and I appreciate that. When I get older I hope I am just like my mother is now.

* 2nd place - by Martha Manning, 5th grade "Mom"

The subject of my essay may not be very original but she is special. My favorite person is my mom.

I like being with my mom. She cares about what I want and tries to do things that pleases me. No matter how busy she is, mom makes time for me. I can talk to her about anything especially when something is bothering me. I may not like what she says but I know she loves me.

I'm really proud of my mom for all the good things she does. Because she really cares for people I hope I can be a little like her. She helps out in schools, teaches C.C.D., has been a girl scout leader for six years, volunteers at the Senior Center and at the West Springfield Nursing Home. When she sees someone who is alone, unhappy or has a problem she doesn't think it's too bad. She looks for ways to help if that's what they want.

My mom cares about every living creature. We joke that our home is one pet short to be called the Wild Kingdom. Anyone in the neighborhood that finds a pet or especially a sick animal, calls my mom. She'll do something to help. My mom has tried to teach and show us what's important. She is my favorite person. Her special place is in my heart.

* 3rd place - Patty Zerra, 5th grade "My Favorite Person"

Most kids would probably not have teachers as their favorite persons. They would think that teachers are mean and are there only to give them work and a hard time. They might say that teachers don't explain things and are trying to confuse them. I may think of some teachers like that, but it would be almost impossible to think about Mrs. O'Keefe in that way.

Nice, generous, caring, loving, understanding, encouraging, thoughtful, enjoyable—all these words and many more can be used to describe Mrs. O'Keefe. I knew from the first day of third grade that I would enjoy Mrs. O'Keefe's class. When I first walked into the room I felt welcome. The bulletin boards had beautiful pictures on them and we had coloring papers on our desks to color. We got to sit at any desk we wanted to.

Every other grade I went to at Granger School, we had assigned seats on the first day.

Mrs. O'Keefe never yelled at people for doing something such as—doing real bad on a paper. The only time she yelled (which wasn't too often) would be if someone did something really unreasonable. The only thing she would do if you did bad on a paper is to help you understand what you did wrong and how to do better.

Mrs. O'Keefe did some hard work with us, but she also made it fun. When we were learning the multiplication tables, she made it fun by letting us listen to records. The records had funny tunes with the multiplication tables recited on them. In our reading group she read us the book *How to Eat Fried Worms*. After reading it, we got to watch a filmstrip and make a menu of our own for a restaurant called McWorms.

Mrs. O'Keefe was very encouraging. She would give you confidence in yourself. If you did really good on a paper, she would give you a big sticker and will congratulate you. Mrs. O'Keefe helped me to learn a lot of things that I will never forget. I only hope that the year wouldn't have gone by so fast.

It's sad to think that the other third graders won't be able to enjoy Mrs. O'Keefe. When I was in fourth grade, Mrs. O'Keefe died. I can only be grateful and think of how lucky I was to be in her class.

* 4th place - Michele Ingalls, 6th grade "My Favorite Person"

My favorite person is no one fancy, nor no one well known, but to me she is someone special. She is my first grade teacher. Mrs. Childs. She is the one who taught me to read when I thought that it was hopeless. Mrs. Childs read to the class and made the class read on our own. She rewarded us for doing so. Mrs. Childs is the one who gave me a solid foundation in school.

Not only did Mrs. Childs teach me to read, but she also taught me to be creative. I remember her bringing art supplies into school one day and telling us that with the supplies we were to make a hat. The next week my class and I paraded around school with the hats that we had made upon our heads.

The reason I think so much of Mrs. Childs is because of the way she helped me with one of my biggest problems, my parents getting a divorce. She reassured me that everything would be all right. She told me that my parents would never do anything to hurt me. For that she deserves more thanks than I would ever be able to give her.

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Junior High PTO To Elect Officers

The Junior High PTO meeting for the month of May is scheduled for Monday, May 18th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Junior High cafeteria.

The election of new officers will be held. Both the Middle School (sixth grade parents) and Junior High PTO are welcome to attend as voting members at this meeting for the 1992-1993 Junior High PTO Board.

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Grief Counselor Guest Of Phelps PTO For Special Program

The Phelps School PTO met April 29th to hear invited speaker Lila Forastiere, Grief Counselor and Educator for the Forastiere Family Funeral Homes. Her presentation, "Explaining Death to Children," was enthusiastically received by those in attendance.

One of the parents remarked, "I can't believe that I've sat here for two hours and **enjoyed** hearing and talking about death! This was really interesting! I'm glad I came!"

What made it so interesting? Lila's style is one of information and actual true life stories of children's reactions, interjected with subtle humor which made everyone smile at themselves.

Mrs. Forastiere stresses that it is very important that parents, and all significant adults in the child's life, talk about dying whenever the opportunity arises (teachable moments), rather than avoid the topic at all costs.

She states, "If we do NOT speak to children about death at appropriate times, nor about the emotions and physical reactions which occur, we stifle their healthy emotional growth; and we retard their coping skills."

She went on to say that the question is not really one of whether we teach a child about dying, death and the emotions that arise...For children **observe**; they learn by what is both said and that which is unsaid.

Therefore, the question is not **whether** we teach a child; but, **what** and **how**? Do we help to make a teachable moment a negative, stifling, and debilitating one? Or, do we help to make the moment a positive experience of growth and future coping skills?

Talking about death as part of life and about the cyclical pattern of nature throughout the child's normal growing experiences, creates a foundation so that when a death in the family does occur, it is not disorienting. If adults do not address the topic as it arises, this itself teaches that death is a topic of disease, that we cannot ask questions or share thoughts, that it's something scary and unnatural.

When a death does touch a family, what does a parent do?

The rule of thumb is to be open, honest, non-judgemental and supportive. Open, in that you treat all the questions with thought and your time...treat no question as insignificant or silly. Honest, in that give only facts and truth as is appropriate to the age level...made up euphonisms only add to a child's confusion and have to be UNlearned later. Non-judgemental, in that we accept any feeling or thought as legitimate...we never tell a child "you shouldn't feel that way"...the fact of the matter is that she/he DOES feel that way and we should not judge it. Supportive, in that we normalize the experience...the child is normal, healthy and OK no matter what the emotion.



GRIEF COUNSELOR LILA FORASTIERE (center) of Forastiere Family Funeral Homes presented a program on "Explaining Death To Children" to members of the Phelps School PTO. Mrs. Forastiere was enthusiastically received by those in attendance. She is pictured being welcomed by PTO members Jan Zajdel and Patricia Drewniak. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

The content of what we say is not as important as our attitude and our nurturing. We need to have the aura of: "I do not judge you; I accept you; help me understand what you are experiencing."

As with all things, the way a child conceives death depends upon his age level and maturity level, as well as what he is taught. His understanding of death develops gradually and never remains constant.

When answering a child's questions, it helps to keep in mind what the child's ability to understand might be.

The three to five year old usually sees death as temporary and reversible, or living on under changed circumstances (for example: under the ground in the cemetery). Sometimes they can't verbalize their feelings because of limited vocabulary (example: equating "being hungry" with emptiness). They are very literal and concrete; therefore, offering euphonisms such as "Gramma's watching you from heaven," may cause fear rather than comfort.

The five to 10 year old often views death as a personification (something comes to get you). They understand that death is irreversible and often are curious about what death physically

mean. (example: will it hurt Grampa when I walk on his grave?). Magical thinking often colors their understanding; i.e., wishing and thinking will make it happen. Thus, they may feel that they are responsible for the death in some way.

The 10-13 year old is beginning to understand death on an adult level. It is the formation years of their morality and often are curious about death as a form of punishment for deeds. They also tend to focus on the funeral ritual and ask questions such as why do we have funerals.

When helping a child, it is important to remember that children grieve and re-grieve as their understanding develops over time. Answered questions today might have to be re-answered next year. We need to understand what the child is really asking and answer according to his developmental level; and we need to be patient when the question resurfaces months or years later.

Most important of all, is to keep that door of communication open; the child needs to feel he can ask you or tell you anything and it will be received with acceptance and answered with honesty.

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Sports

AHS Swim Banquet Honors Fine Winter



SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS of the 1991-92 Agawam High girls' swimming team included, from left -Erica Vanderhoof, Tegan Christy, and Erin Bradley. Missing: Nancy Bazanchuk.

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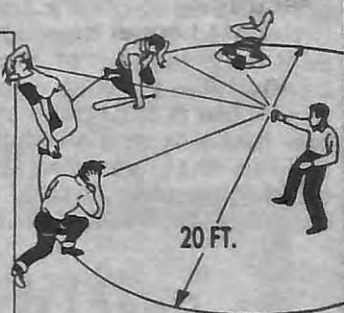
VARSITY GIRLS' SWIM COACH Jason Osborne pictured at the Annual Swim Banquet with his two 1991-92 All-Western Mass. swimmers, who also captained the team - Rachel White and Erica Vanderhoof. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AHS BOYS' varsity swimming coach Dave Smith congratulates senior captain Aaron Orsucci for a fine 1991-92 swim season. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Agawam's April Rapa Takes Big Rapa; Brownies Rally Past Longmeadow, 7-6

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

In one of the wilder finishes that you will ever see on a hot spring afternoon, Coach Debbie Lickley's Agawam High softball team pulled a seventh inning rabbit out of its hat. The result was pinning a 7-6 loss on the Lancers of Longmeadow High in Agawam on Tuesday afternoon. And was this ever a long game.

Lucky for Agawam the "three knockdown rule" was not in effect as its talented junior shortstop April Rapa was center stage all afternoon.

She got wiped out in a tag play at second base in the second inning. She went down for the count and played gimpy for a while on a sliced up toe.

Later in the fourth inning, the same runner was gunned out by catcher Stephanie Mason and again Rapa got hurt. This time she took the brim of the helmet just above her lip. She had to leave the game so trainer Kelley Emery could patch her back up.

A Fitting Scene

So it was fitting that Rapa was standing at the plate (utilizing the re-entry rule) when Dina DeMarco scored standing up (yet ducking) on a wild pitch that capped a furious four run seventh. The huge crowd was on its collective feet cheering wildly throughout the rally.

The 12-2 Brownies fell into an early 5-0 hole as sophomore hurler Cyndi Stone wobbled through a shaky first inning. She walked four, allowed two RBI hits and threw two wild pitches.

To Stone's credit, she allowed just two baserunners in the next four innings. This assisted her mates in getting her back into the ballgame. The locals got runners in the first two innings but couldn't bring them around.

The Brownies finally got on the board in the third as Stone hit a hard grounder to short leading off. The ball went through the wickets of the Lancer shortstop and right up the alley in left center. Stone hustled over to third. Seconds later, she scored standing up on a wild pitch (5-1).

In the fourth, the Brownies got two runs closer. They picked up a pair of tainted runs, but these runs looked mighty large on the scoreboard. Laura Bielitz drew a one out walk and stole second. Rapa grounded to short but the throw was wild and Bielitz scored. Rapa took second.

Two wild pitches later, Rapa crossed making it a 5-3 game.

After a scoreless fifth, Stone unravelled a bit in the sixth. After striking out the first hitter, she walked the next two batters and then threw consecutive wild pitches. This plated one run and had another Lancer standing on third.

Lickley got out the hook and brought in remarkable freshman Lauren Seymour. She was asked to stop the bleeding. Seymour (who fired a no-hitter in her debut and remains unbeaten this season), inherited the 2-0 count and promptly induced a popup to Trudel at first.

Seymour then whiffed the leadoff hitter for the third out and gave her team a chance to come back again. This time, the Brownies trailed 6-3 and it was getting late.

An Anxious Moment

The Brownies went 1-2-3 in the sixth. But they shut down the Lancers in the seventh. There was an anxious moment or two as the Agawam kids caught a huge break. Seymour walked a batter with one out and that runner advanced when Mason's pickoff throw went into rightfield.

The next batter drove a comebacker to Seymour who fired to first for the second out. Trudel launched the ball to third to nab a runner who had rounded the bag, but the throw was low and wild. Dina DeMarco couldn't dig it out at third.

Still, the break came when the ball caromed off the runner who was driving back to the bag and the ball landed right near the bag. No advance. Seymour got another popup to get out of it and the Brownies headed for the bat rack.

The Brownies didn't exactly pound the ball (only Laura Bielitz hit it solidly) but they did everything they needed to do and stole the win.

Here's The Big Rally

The rally went like this: Carolyn Angelini got it rolling by drawing a walk. She was wild-pitched to second where she parked while Seymour was working a walk. Mason rolled one out towards shortstop again and the sacks were full. Mason

was toting the tying run at first.

Another wild pitch scored Angelini while the other two kids moved up 60 feet. DeMarco reloaded the bases by drawing the third free pass of the frame. Hard-hitting Debbie Conklin came up and fled to left. Lickley took no chances and didn't send Seymour from third.

Trudel worked an RBI walk to make it a one run game to set the stage for Bielitz. Laura smashed the first pitch on one hop to the leftfielder. Only

one run could score on the play as Mason crossed easily.

Rapa went up to the plate and took called strike one. The next pitch hit the backstop and the speedy DeMarco came on to score easily for the winner.

And that was the only thing that came easily for the Brownies all day - except possibly the celebration.



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Very Strong West Side High Girls Snaps Brownies 10-Game Streak

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Two fine teams with two fine coaches entered the fray at Agawam High School last Thursday afternoon (May 7th) with identical 10-1 records on the season.

The West Springfield High Terriers, smarting from their first loss of the season after winning 10 straight, came to visit the Agawam High Brownies, who were riding the crest of a 10-game win streak after dropping their season opener.

Would the Brownies keep cruising? Would the Terriers be down after their first loss? For the first part of the game, the answer was "yes." Unquestionably yes.

West Springfield's Heather Bolsvert got caught with her head down leading off third base, and the Brownies' dart-throwing catcher picked her off in the first inning. That got Cyndi Stone out of some early difficulty.

Mason ignited a two-run rally by dropping a bunt single in the bottom of the inning, and then racing all the way around to score when Dina DeMarco's sacrifice bunt was thrown into right field.

DeMarco got nailed trying to get into second base on the play. Deb Conklin reached on an error by shortstop Donna Pronovost and scored on a single to right by Kim Trudel. Agawam led 2-0 after one inning.

Stone breezed through the next two innings, retiring all six batters she faced, but the Brownies were unable to build upon their early lead. Despite having two runners aboard in the second and another in the third, Agawam couldn't score on those opportunities.

West Side's Flurry Of Runs Wins The Day

West Side coach Deke Pillsbury went into a frenzy with his troops in the top of the fourth, imploring them to score some runs. They responded to the enthusiasm with three in the fourth and another in the fifth to win the ballgame by the score of 4-2.

Stone hurt herself by hitting two consecutive batters. They were hit on consecutive pitches and both of them one hopped into the left leg of the batter.

It was quite an oddity. Next came a wild pitch and then a passed ball on Mason. The Terriers had divided the lead in half, 2-1.

That hitter ultimately walked and then another oddity occurred—Mason dropped a little popup right in front of the plate. She jumped out in front to make the easy play and then took her eyes off the ball as she looked around the diamond to see where to throw the ball.

It dropped and the tying run crossed the plate. Stone made a great play on the ball as she picked

it up in time to nip the runner at first base. A bunt single scored the go ahead run and finished off the rally with West Springfield in front 3-2.

Agawam Attempts To Tie The Game

Agawam had a good chance to tie it up in the fourth. Carolyn Angelini reached on an error by the second baseman, and Stone rapped a single to left. That brought the top of the order and Mason to the plate.

Stephanie creamed one back through the box and the pitcher flagged it down. It rolled behind her, but she quickly pounced on it and threw Mason out by an eyelash at first, saving a run.

Pronovost, a heavy hitter all year long, blooped a double to leftfield opening the fifth, and later scored on a sacrifice bunt as the Brownies got a taste of their own medicine. Pronovost scored on the delayed break for the plate, which is something that the Agawam club has taken a patient out on.

Tough luck hurt the Brownies in the fifth. DeMarco beat out a chopper to the shortstop hole. Trailing by two, Conklin was sent up to bunt. She got the bat on it, but it went in the air above her head.

Catcher April Kosior made the grab quickly and pegged to first to nail DeMarco, who was sailing towards second base.

Stone set down the Terriers in the sixth, and the Brownies came looking to rally again in their half. April Rapa blooped a single to a perfect spot in left center with one out, but then made a baserunning gaffe that she probably won't soon forget.

Shannon Hogan was sent up to pinchhit and she popped to second base. With the play right in front of her, Rapa watched the second sacker make the catch and then April broke for second without tagging. A flip to first ended the inning.

Stone whiffed two of three hitters in the seventh, keeping her team in it, and Agawam tried for the last time to catch up again. Angelini tapped to the box to begin the seventh, but Agawam got the next two runners aboard.

Stone reached on a bad throw by Pronovost and Mason lined a single to center. DeMarco popped out and Conklin bounced into a fielder's choice to end the game, and that was all she wrote.

Both teams had their chances. It was a day when West Springfield took better advantage.

Tough Times Fall Hard On AHS Girls On Tennis Courts

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

There are a lot of expressions in sports for going off-fer. For instance, when you miss three free throws in basketball, you get the razzing for making a "hat trick." An oh for three or oh for four in baseball means that you "took the collar."

But, the Agawam High girls' tennis team wallowed in the mire this week as they were beaten three times in succession by the count of 5-0. The Lions of Ludlow, the Tigers of South Hadley, and no, not the Bears, but the Lancers of Longmeadow all treated coach Mary Wolochowicz' troops rudely.

And the worst of it was that Wolochowicz half expected it, but couldn't do anything about it. "I saw that stretch of teams on my schedule before we even started playing this season. We lost a couple of top notch players from last year's team due to graduation. That happens all the time."

"And when looking over this season's team, I figured that we would do OK ... and we did early in the season. We beat the teams that we figured to beat."

"But, I've not had a rash of injuries, illnesses, and academic ineligibility in all my years of coaching at Agawam. We were forced to push kids up a notch or two beyond their skill level just to put people in the lineup."

"The kids are really playing well, too—you just wouldn't know it by the scores. I certainly can't say that they are not trying or not hustling. We're just in a little over our head against some of the top notch teams in the area."

The three losses dropped the Brownies to 4-7 on the season.

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Outgunned AHS Falls To Cathedral In Girls' Track

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Cathedral showed up with its entire entourage on Friday afternoon at Springfield College and blitzed the Agawam High Brownies 100-36 in girls' track.

"We operated with only 22 kids due to illnesses of one variety or another," said coach Jeff Reece. "And, I was mighty impressed with our kids. Eighteen of the 22 scored their personal best in their track career."

"That's really testimony to their hard work. Cathedral simply brought all their troops and they outgunned us."

Highlights of the meet for Agawam were Sheila Martin, shaving yet another second off her Western Mass qualifying time in the 300 Low Hurdles.

Sheila negotiated the length of that race in 52.4. She also surprised herself and her coach by getting up to 4'4" in the High Jump for another personal best.

Rose Pignatere qualified for Western Mass with a 15'4" Long Jump. Reece has coached at Agawam for four years and had never had a 15-foot long jumper on his team. She also bested her Western Mass qualifying throw in the javelin as she hurled the spear 96 feet.

Kristin Schmaelzle (27'7") and Lubna Yousef (25'11") both outdid themselves in the Shot Put, and Nicole Decosmo leaped 29'3" in the Triple Jump for her best ever in that event.

Reece told the AAN that DeCosmo was "flying" in the 400 Meter Run with 20 yards to go when she tripped and fell. "I think she was on pace to run a 63-second race, which would have easily been her best."

Dyan DeLuce qualified for the Western Mass meet with a 5:53 in the One Mile Run, and Addie Dimare ran a 6:06 for her best ever, too.

Blue Devils Best Brownies, Too

On Tuesday afternoon at Agawam High, the Brownies were also spanked by the Blue Devils of Northampton by the count of 98-38. "It might be a little bit early to say," said an impressed Reece, "but I think that Northampton will win Western Mass."

DeLuce qualified for the Individual tournament with a 28.6 in the 200. DeCosmo qualified for WMass in the 100 by running a 12.6, and she also won the 400 with a time of 68 seconds.

Schmaelzle eked another quarter inch on her personal best in the shot with a heave of 27'7 1/4", and Martin ran a fine 54.2 on the cinder track at Harmon Smith Field.

The Brownies now have 11 athletes qualified for Individuals, and four of those are entered in the Western Mass tournament as well.

"With only 22 kids on the team," Reece told the AAN, "I'm very proud of what they have accomplished thus far—and we still have two meets to go."

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Brownie Track Has Best Moments Of '92 Season In Win Over Central

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High Track team saved its season's most shining moments for a marvelous performance on a glorious Monday afternoon against the Golden Eagles of Central High on the oval at Agawam High School.

The Brownies had to get a second place in the 880 from James Willis and a first in the 220 from Jim Camidge to "lock" the meet and both athletes came through in fine style as the home team cruised from that point forward with a resounding 80-65 victory.

Central wasn't playing with a full deck with a talented high jumper and a big-time hurdler out of its lineup. But the Brownies went at the competition that they were presented to pick up a satisfying victory.

Jim Camidge, as so often is the case, ripped his way to four first place finishes and 20 team points as he won the long jump (19'3 1/4"), the triple jump (39'3"), the 220 (23.3) and the 100 (10.5). The senior was happy with his time in the 100, which was the fastest he ever ran on "that dirt track."

Agawam also won both the 4 x 400 relay and the 4 x 100 relay on Monday. Nick Langone led an Agawam sweep in the shot put with a heave of 40' 5 1/4", which bested teammate Todd Chamberlain (39'1") and Marcus Trinchini (38'7 1/2").

Langone finished second in the discus (120'7") and Chamberlain picked off the third place prize with a toss of 111'8".

In other field events, Joe Scherpa was second in the pole vault a leap of nine feet. Trinchini finished in third place also at nine feet. Dana Fuller was second in the javelin (105'7") and Dan MacWilliams came in third with a throw of 97'8 1/2".

The Brownies were well represented in the distance races as Willis claimed second in the 880 with a time of 2:14.9. Ryan Willett won the two mile run in 11:16.1 and Mike Leary got a third place by running the same race in 11:28. Darren Cormier placed second in the One Mile getting home in 5:05.9.

Michael Bryant ran a formidable 45.7 to outspurt the field in the 330 low hurdles and Chris Benjamin got third place in the 110 high hurdles (18.7). Dan Pryce was second in the high jump with a leap of 5'8" and Bryant got third with a jump of 5'4".

Dan Moriarty placed second in the 440 by running once around the track in 55.6.

The Brownies improved past the .500 mark with the win as they move to 4-3 on the season. Their next meet will be against Longmeadow prior to the first ever night track meet at Agawam High School. The Brownies will take on the Panthers of Cathedral High and these same Golden Eagles of Central High on Wednesday night, May 20th, at Harmon Smith Field.

Brownie Boys Beat SH In Tennis

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam climbed back to the .500 mark with a solid 4-1 win over South Hadley in boys' tennis last Wednesday (May 6th), and then fell below the Mendoza line again when they dropped consecutive matches to Ludlow and Longmeadow at love-love earlier this week.

In South Hadley, the Brownies had it going

up and down their lineup. Sean Sullivan won in straight sets over Jeff Tracey at first singles with a convincing 6-3, 7-5 win.

Mark Radtke zipped through Dave Linnehan 6-1, 6-0 at number two singles before Rob Settembro bowed 1-6, 0-6 to Chuck Brown ("almost no unforced errors" - Agawam coach Ken Dean).

The doubles tandem of Mike Lorge and Andy Turcotte swept thorough Max Marantz and Rich Cestero 6-4, 6-2, and Mike Parent and Monta Gada blitzed Tad Drozdowski and Brendon Kuhn 6-1, 6-0 to close it out.

The Brownies were held in check by the Lions and the Lancers during matches held prior to presstime. Their next action will be held this Friday (May 15th) against West Springfield at Agawam High's courts.

The Brownies sport a 4-6 won-loss slate on the season.



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Gaylor's Late Inning Heroics Again Lifts AHS Baseball From Jaws Of Defeat

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High Baseball Brownies won their second straight game at home on Wednesday, May 6th as they downed the Central High Golden Eagles 7-6 at Harmon Smith Field in the Valley Wheel opener.

The Brownies (4-8, 1-0) had to do their seventh inning magic again in the seesaw affair and again, it was Joey Gaylor coming up with a big two out basehit in the seventh scoring Steve Moccio with the winning run.

On Monday, May 4th, Agawam blew a five run seventh inning lead as East Longmeadow came back to tie the ballgame. But, Gaylor slapped an opposite field single to win that in the home half of the seventh.

This time, Joey hit the ball infinitely harder. Had the winning run not scored on the play, the big junior right fielder might well have hit himself a three run homer.

Rick Henry went the distance on the hill to record the victory for the Brownies.

Central Scores First Two Runs

Central got the first two runs of the game in the second inning without the benefit of a basehit. Gaylor dropped a flyball in right leading the inning. A stolen base, a walk, a double steal and a poor decision by shortstop Nathan Wood cost Agawam the first run and the second scored on a double steal as Jeff Martucci swiped home on the play.

The Brownies rallied back in the third on some poor defense by the Eagles and some timely hitting by Agawam. Wood led with a walk and moved to second on Bob Peloquin's one out single to right. Jeff Perreault hit a high popup down the right field line. Nathan Wooley was next and he belted a single to left field that was overrun by the left fielder. Wood and Peloquin streaked around to tie it and Nathan whizzed his way all the way to third base.

The Brownies took the lead when Jeff Perreault's high popup down the right field line was surrounded, but not caught and Wooley trotted home to score the third Agawam run. Perreault was caught stealing, but Steve Moccio kept it going with a walk. Ultimately, he would steal second and third and finally—home!—as the Brownies worked the double steal to perfection themselves following a walk to Henry.

Meanwhile, the Brownies were dealing with one of Western Mass' best pitchers in Paul Gosselin of Central. The second inning rally against his ace caused the Golden Eagle coach to pull his hurler and Agawam got to take their hacks against the second line pitching for a few innings.

Agawam Increases Lead

The Brownies held Central down for a couple more innings and then tacked on to their lead. With two outs in the fifth, Perreault walked and got himself a free trip around the bases. He earned the first one by swiping second and then scored on consecutive wild pitches. They led it 5-2.

Central tied the game in the sixth when Tony Furlani, the number nine hitter, crushed a two run double to left field scoring two runs and then crossed the dish himself when Erich Weiss dropped a basehit in front of Wooley in center field.

Undaunted, the Brownies put together another run of their own in the sixth as Dave McKay came through with a clutch sacrifice fly to left untangling the game. Freshman Brian Colby (a pleasant surprise of late) began the rally with a line single to center field. After that hit, Colby swiped second and proceeded to third on a wild pitch. With Nathan Wood standing at the plate, the Central coach came out with the hook again and brought Gosselin back to the mound. Wood worked himself a walk and then McKay came through with his big blow to give Agawam the lead going to the final frame.

The Golden Eagles didn't go quietly in their final at-bat. Gosselin rammed a single to center

and was sacrificed to second. Tito Lewis hit a harmless ground ball to third, but Jason Rowe threw it into the Central bench and Gosselin scored on the play to tie the game. After a pop up, Henry hit a batter and walked another putting himself in the soup. But, he popped tall moments later when he froze Furlani with a marvelous curve ball on a 3-2 pitch to end the inning.

In the seventh, the Brownies' first two batters made outs, but Moccio kept it going when he drilled a hard drive into the left field corner for a single. He stole second and the hard hitting Henry was walked intentionally to face Gaylor.

Gaylor bombed the pitch deep to left center field and it rolled down to the softball diamond as the Brownies celebrated again. When asked after the game if he was thinking about his most recent heroics, Gaylor replied, "Not really, I was just in there thinking that I was going to win it."

And, he did win it—again.

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Golf Tip Of The Week Tuck Right Elbow For Better Turn

by Jim Modzelesky, PGA
Oak Ridge Golf Club, Feeding Hills

The following tip relates to a loss of power in the golf swing. Like a lot of tall golfers, I sometimes have difficulty swinging *around* my body. I tend to get too up and down.

My problem was at address. The position of my forearms was encouraging the overly upright swing and preventing a good body rotation. My right elbow was too far from my body, so that my right forearm was higher than my left. If you laid a club across my forearms, it would have pointed left of target.

I discovered that keeping my right elbow in made it easier for me to turn. That gave me more power. Now when I look down at address, I want to see my right elbow relaxed and my left arm straight. If I lay a club across my forearms, it points at or slightly right of target. It's a check you should make if you're plagued by shots that are short and to the right.

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Bob Johnson On Sports...

Playing 1st Base Extends A Career???

Why does a guy come in and play first base late in his career? Has anybody ever given you or me a reasonable explanation on this happenstance?

Oh yeah, we have all been fed the conventional lines about why this occurs. Something about saving an aging outfielder's legs a little bit so that his bat can stay in a productive offensive lineup while making room for a rookie or a budding young star.

I'm sorry, but I'm not buying it. Maybe you aren't either. George Brett, Mike Schmidt, Carl Yastrzemski, Pete Rose, Paul Millitor, Darrell Evans and a great number of others have all made the switch from their original position to first base.

Exploring this phenomenon, I really haven't stumbled across any evidence that backs up these pearls of conventional wisdom. Let's take it one step at a time.

If a guy is an outfielder, the thinking is that he is brought into the infield to save some wear and tear on his legs. I don't understand.

Let's say that he is a right fielder. At that particular position, he may catch three or four fly balls, field two or three singles and chase a ball or two into the gap. To further illustrate, we'll say that he has lost a step or two in the field over the years. But, conversely, wouldn't it be fair to imagine that he can compensate (at least in part) by playing excellent "positional" defense due to his vast experience out there.

Using those factors, he may not catch up to one or two balls a week that he might have in years gone by. Yet, the theory would still hold that he will help you with the bat. His ego would not be bruised by coming in to play the "old man's position" either. He would feel more whole.

In scenario number two, let's say that the fellow was a one time third baseman (i.e. Evans, Brett, Rose). How many balls per game go down to the hot corner. Five or six, at the most. And, most of those balls are hit right at them. If not, they make a dive and see what happens. Sometimes, they are asked to charge bunts in sacrifice situations, too.

But, where do they save themselves at first base. A first baseman also charges bunts and dives occasionally to his left or right. He fields three or four ground balls per game, too. And, of course, he has to hustle to the bag on every single ground ball hit in the infield! In many games, the first baseman is moving around a hell of a lot more than any other player in the field.

If the theory is to move the guy to first base to make room for a hot prospect, then why not consider all the great young first basemen who are coming up through the ranks. What happens to them in this logjam. Is it possible that we have missed out on a Joyner, Grace or Mattingly because of this "career-saving" debacle? I hope not. I love a hard hitting, slick fielding first baseman.

The one position that I will lend some credence to this move is the guy that comes out from behind the plate after a dozen years or so because he simply doesn't feel comfortable in the crouch anymore.

Otherwise, I think it's a questionable move, at best. I believe that some "lazy" managers just do it because it's been done before.

I'll leave you with one thought on this issue. Do you think Dwight Evans would have ever looked right playing first base? It might have been the reason that he ended that career wearing the uniform of the Birds of Baltimore.

AHS Golf Team Reaches Tournament For First Time In 3 Years; Top Minnechaug

by Bob Johnson
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High golf team achieved its pre-season team goal last Thursday, May 7th, at their home course (Oak Ridge) when they squeaked out a 9½-8½ victory over Minnechaug for their 11th win of the season.

It will be the first time in three seasons that the Brownies (11-3) will taste the post-season in the sport, and coach Paul Bachini was happy with his team's run to the playoffs. "These kids are all underclassmen, except one (Chris McElligott), and we have gotten to where we hoped to get in the pre-season.

"Now, we have to get it cranked up again and start readjusting our goals for this season."

In the clinching win against the Falcons, Greg Boreck (pinch-hitting in the number six slot) came

home with a much-needed 2½ points when he carded a 47, and that was the difference in the match.

Eric Charest, playing from the number three position, fired a 38 to earn medalist honors.

On Monday, Longmeadow came to town to take on the Brownies and squared their season series at one match each when they tripped up Agawam 11-7.

"I'm not sure we played our best against Longmeadow," Bachini told the AAN. "We might have had a little letdown after clinching the post-season. We've got tough matches left with Amherst, East Longmeadow, and Minnechaug, and we'll have to start getting serious again."



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The "I'LL STOP THE RAIN 150" was a success and what a show. **Rick Fuller** started eighth and came from the back twice to get to the front and win the 50-lap Budweiser feature. Still, that wasn't the only excitement; this event had action like no other.

It was Bruce D'alessandro and Larry Moore who battled for over 20 laps, side by side, while Dan Avery, Bobby Gee, Chris Kopec, and Ed Kennedy swapped positions in the top 10.

Early in the event, Jerry Marquis dropped out with suspension problems. After three other minor cautions, it was a real in-and-out of the pit area challenge. Fuller, Avery, Kennedy, and Stan Greger all pitted. Greger then dropped out with an ill-handling car.

The next star was Bruce D'alessandro, who battled lap after lap against Reggie Ruggiero. For a while it looked as if Ruggiero would have the win. Then, with five to go, Rick Fuller made the run

from the back to second, but it wasn't good enough to be second.

With a timely move to the bottom, Fuller muscled his way into the lead. At the checker it was Fuller (Polar Soda—Diet Rite), and second through fifth were Reggie Ruggiero (Hammond Law), Larry Moore (A&M Auto Body), Bobby Gee (International Auto), and Chris Kopec (Gary's Auto Body).

Sixth through 10th were George Rudinas, Dan Avery, Eric LeClair, Bruce D'alessandro, and Ed Kennedy.

"I wanted to give the fans a real show; my new sponsor, Polar Soda, will be thrilled. I love the park—what a show," said Rick Fuller.

Tom Fearn won his first Pro Stock main as Tony Papale was the early leader until contact was made. Fearn then held on to the checker, and Tom Carey came from the back to take second. Third was Dave Caruso, fourth was Mike Duquette, and fifth was Jerry Marquis.

Sixth through 10th included Eddy Carroll, Scott

Bouley, and Kevin Czarnecki.

Jay Stewart won his second feature, but it was a close one in the Late Models. Rocci Mazzloto almost won the event, but had to settle for second as Rich Vasseur also put on a great show to finish third.

Fourth went to Garry Pelletier, and fifth was Chris Benson. Sixth through 10th were Doug D'alessandro, Eric Plagerman, Jim Roule, Barry Grey, and Marty Leary.

Joe LeMay won the 25-lap Pro 4 feature from the outside front row. Renee Duprius led for a while and settled for second. Third was Dan Meservey, fourth was Doug Meservey, and fifth was Mike Casey.

Jim Houghton won his first feature over Jeff Horn in the Strictly Stocks as Joe Czarnecki was third, Marshall Provost was fourth, and Jeff Conners came in fifth. Sixth through 10th were Tony Dileo, Roger Fujimoto, Mitch Drewnowski, Joe Arena, and Ed Haluch.

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Fran Principi showed that he was an above average player. He battled for over 10 laps with John Houghton. Then Principi expanded his lead by half a straightaway.

It wasn't until lap 26 that Marquis came on strong down low to take the lead from Principi. While this was going on, Bruce D'alessandro was being challenged by Bobby Gee, Larry Moore, Dan Avery, and Ed Kennedy.

At the checker, it was Jerry Marquis for the 50-lap Modified feature. It was a victory worth \$1,200.

Second at the wire was Bruce D'alessandro (Electrical Contr.), third was the current point leader Bobby Gee (International Auto Body), fourth was Larry Moore (A&M Auto Body—West Hartford Tool), and fifth was Dan Avery (Porter Chester Institute).

Sixth through 10th were Ed Kennedy (Solhem), Fran Principi, Eric LeClair, Stan Greger, and Dave Gallo.

Still, the winning just didn't stop there as **Jerry**

Marquis came back to win the \$1,000 prize in the 50-lap Pro Stock feature. Dave Berube led the early laps when Marquis moved to the front.

Tom Fearn hunted them down to the checker to finish second. Third went to Eddy Carroll, fourth was Mike Duquette, and fifth was Tom Carey. Sixth through 10th were Ed Kennedy, Tony Papale, Dave Berube, Dave Sazarulo, and Wayne Carroll.

Doug Meservey won his first feature in the Pro Four Modifieds as Joe Lemay came from the pack for second.

Third was George Savery, fourth was Mike Pitrizzo, and fifth went to Renee Dupruis. Sixth through 10th were Tom Crevenhio, Bill Shultz, George Sherman, Mike Carey, and Dan Meservey, Jr.

Three wins would tell the story for **Jay Stewart** in the Late Models. Bill Galinski was the early leader and did a great job, but Barry Grey finished second over Gary Pellitier, Chris Benson Woods, and Bill Galinski.

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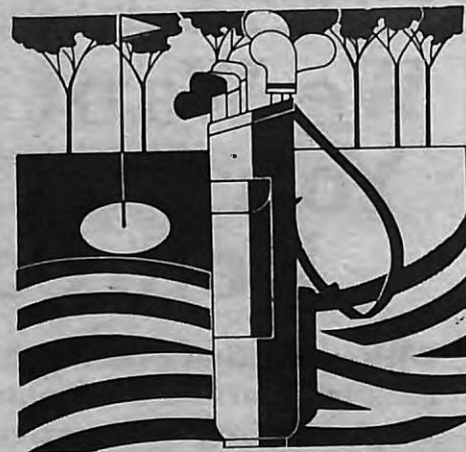
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A Turkey Hunter's Dream

New this year is the exemption from the lottery of state land muzzleloader hunters in Connecticut. "For the first time since 1975, deer hunters interested in participating in the state land muzzleloader deer season need not enter the state land lottery," stated Tom Dudchik, Deputy Commissioner of DEP.

A person may now obtain a state land lottery shotgun permit and a state land no-lottery muzzleloader permit in the same year. According to Dudchik, the low hunting pressure on state land by muzzleloader hunters allows for a discontinuation of the lottery.

Those interested in hunting during the state land muzzleloader season should apply for a NO-LOTTERY permit after July 1st, 1992, using a yellow firearms/archery deer hunting permit application. Each individual who submits a properly completed application will receive a state land muzzleloader permit.

Visualize this: You have entered the woods before daybreak using a flashlight so as to not be shot by some airhead who thinks that every step in the leaves in a turkey.

After stomping around a bit, you find a large hemlock tree to sit up against, put on your face mask, load your gun, and wriggle around a bit to get comfortable in preparation for a long, silent, moveless time.

It is getting lighter and you hear a chirp once in a while, as bird life is awakening. You carefully take out your turkey plunger calling box and give a few yelps. Immediately, your heart races as a double gobble right in front of you answers your hen yelp.

You sit up a little straighter, position your shotgun in a more comfortable position, and wait a few minutes before yelping again. The gobble comes back, and you hear a very loud thump as the large, lovesick tom hits the ground on the run.

You think "this is it" and you wait (with a shortening of breath) for a look at the advancing lothario.

One more yelp is all that is needed to bring him in front of you—here he comes—stops right in front like he is posing for a picture—he puts down his wings, puffs out his feathers, actually sticks out his chest, brings in his head, and starts to strut back and forth in front.

You take in his bright red head, the shiny blue coloring on his neck, his feathers shining in the morning sunlight—you gasp, "He is beautiful, a monarch, a lord of his species."

The gun remains in its original position as you watch his gyrations, his strutting. He feels that he has you hooked; he is strutting in closer. Suddenly, he whirls and takes off in a blaze of color.

You sit there and slowly relax. You think "what a beautiful experience" as you put away the box, take off the mask, and unload the gun.

The walk out to the truck seems to take only a minute. You berate yourself for not taking along your automatic camera.

Tennis Buffs Gathering At Perry Lane Park



THE AGAWAM TENNIS CLUB, geared for beginners and those with some experience gathers on Saturday mornings at the Perry Lane Park tennis courts. From left - Gary Fields, Rudy Altobelli (instructor), Georgene Knight and Tom Knight. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

May Is National Bike Month & Riders Urged To Take Common Sense Precautions

May marks the beginning of National Bike Month. An estimated 57 million Americans ride bikes and often share the roads with motor vehicles that are larger, heavier and faster.

Did you know that each year 1,000 bicyclists are killed and that 75% of these fatalities are the result of head injuries?

Part of being a defensive cyclist is knowing the rules of the road and the capabilities of your bike. The other part is being well-equipped. Tate Berkan, President of the Safety Council of Western Massachusetts, offers these personal equipment guidelines for cycling success:

—Make sure you are visible. During the day, cyclists should wear bright clothing. Nighttime cycling is not advised, but if riding at night is necessary wear retroreflective clothing that is designed to bounce back motorists' headlight beams.

—Wear a helmet. When shopping for head gear, look for a helmet with a Snell Memorial Foundation of American National Standards Institute approval sticker.

—A properly made helmet will have four characteristics:

1. a stiff outer shell designed to distribute impact forces and protect the head from sharp objects;
2. an energy absorbing liner (similar to picnic cooler material) at least one-half inch thick;
3. a chin strap and fastener to keep the helmet in place;
4. the helmet should be lightweight, cool in hot weather and fit snugly and comfortably.

—Your bike should be equipped with: a red rear reflector; a white front reflector; red or colorless spoke reflectors on the front and back wheels; pedal reflectors; a horn or bell; a rear view mirror; and a bright headlight for night riding.

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Valley Scrubbers	0	2
Frank's Dairy Mart	0	3

"B" NATIONAL		
Spirit Shoppe - Agawam	6	0
Cortina's Tile	6	1
E.B.'s	3	3
Scoreboard 1	3	4
Stabbin Cabin	3	4
Boston Billiards	2	3
Buccaneer Lounge	2	2
Toucan Jam	2	2
Media Cable/Theodore's	1	3
Bogey's	1	6

"B" AMERICAN - NORTH		
Gino's Package Store	4	1
Elbow Sharks	4	1
Scrappy Liquor Locker	3	1
Agawam Moose Club	3	2
Italian Sporting Club	3	2
Abbett Tax Service	3	4
Village Lounge	1	1
Wizard Auto	0	4
Balzer's Tool Coating	0	5

"B" AMERICAN - SOUTH		
202 Liquors	5	1
Scoreboard 2	4	0
Pink Cadillac Prod.	4	1
Balise - Honda	3	2
Desi's Place	3	2
Agawam Tire/Auto	3	2
F.H. Public Market	3	2
Teddy Bear Pools	3	2
Harvey's Depot	2	3
Bertelli's Liquors	2	3
Bogey's	1	4
Buccaneer Lounge	0	5
Pumped Gym	0	6

Agawam Women's Softball League

"A" DIVISION		
Desi's Place	5	0
Buccaneer - Red	3	2
Regal Beagle	3	2
Elbow Lounge	1	3
Buccaneer - Gold	0	5

"B" DIVISION		
T.J.'s Sporthouse	4	0
Cogswell Manufacturing	4	0
Southworth Paper Co.	3	1
Miracles	2	1
Boston Billiards	1	2
Bad News Bears	1	3
Ranch House	0	4
New England School Supply	0	4

SHAA Girls' Softball League Standings

8-10 LEAGUE		
Yellow Jackets	2	0
Blue Jays	2	1
A's	0	2
Red Raiders	0	1

10-13 LEAGUE		
Olympic Fasteners	3	0
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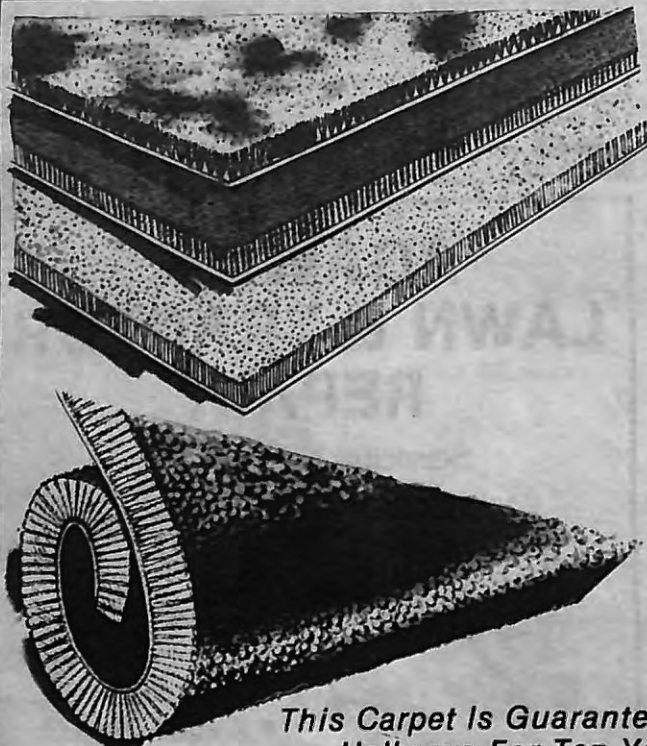
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Friendly's	3	1
Schlaffer Chiro.	3	1
Greeneedle Plantation	2	2
Commercial Disposal	1	3
Almac	0	4

MAJORS		
Unique Storage	5	0
Mushy's Recreation	5	0
Almac	5	1
Feeding Hills Getty	3	2
Hastie Fence	3	3
Rollaway	2	3
Take Five Restaurant	2	4
Soda & Pet Food City	1	5
Village Restaurant	1	5
Agawam Police	1	5

MINORS		
Almac	3	0
Monkiewicz Electric	3	0
Polish Club	2	1
Valenti's	2	1
Mercolino's Bakery	2	1
Bolduc Screen Printing	1	1
VFW Post No. 1632	1	1
Teddy Bear Pools	0	3
Bridgeport Nat'l	0	3
Lions Club	0	3

SHAA Weekly Baseball Standings

BOYS 8-10		
Micro Test Laboratories Inc.	2	0
Polish National Credit Union	2	1
Women's Aux. (PAC)	2	1
Fitness First	2	1
Colonial News	1	1
Agawam Federal Credit Union	1	1
Raffol Insurance	0	2
Dayga Printing	0	2

SHAA Girls' 13-16 Softball Standings

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Bolduc's	1	1
START	1	3
Lloyd Construction	0	3

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To be eligible to play, one must be reaching his "40th" birthday sometime during 1992.

Oxbow Water Show Set For May 25th

The Oxbow Water Ski Show Team of Northampton will open its 1992 season on May 25th at 1:00 p.m. with a benefit show for the Newborn Nurseries at Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

Bring the children for fun and games. There will be adult and children's raffles for gift certificates and prizes. Refreshments will be available.

Parking is \$2 per car and show admission is by donation. To get to the show, take route 91 to exit 18 and follow the yellow arrows to the Oxbow Water Ski Club site.

For further information, please call Judy, 786-7715, or Debbie, 538-9568.

Shotgun Tourney To Benefit Lung Asso.

On Wednesday, May 27th, at 11:30 a.m., over 150 golfers will start play at a shotgun tournament to benefit the American Lung Association of Western Mass.

This is the first golf tournament that has been organized by the Lung Association and Nynex Yellow Pages. The site is Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield. The sponsors are Carroll Travel, Swis Glass, WHYN Radio, and Bertera Lincoln-Mercury.

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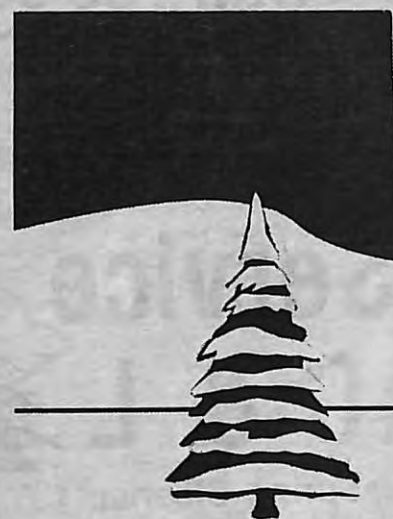
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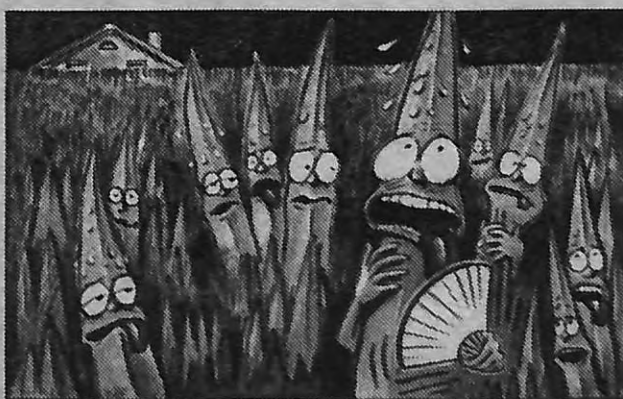
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TAG SALE: Refrig., range, air conditioner, elec. dryer, furniture, books, misc. things. Sat. & Sun. (May 16 & 17), 9:00 - 4:00. 28 Debra Lane, Agawam.

TAG SALE: Saturday, May 16th, 8-4 PM. 15 Kosciusko Ave. (off North St. Extension), Feeding Hills. Washing machine, microwave cart, 10" radial arm-saw, CB, waterskis, car stereo, clothes.

TAG SALE: PHV Social Club tag sale/bake sale. Saturday, May 16th, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Place: Outside next to Community Building, 25 Pheasant Hill Drive.

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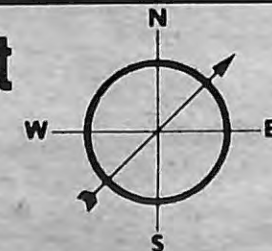
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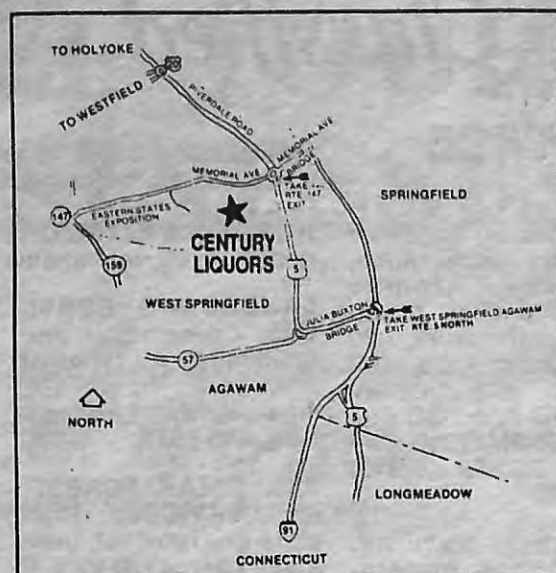
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